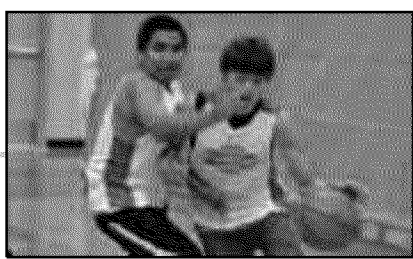




Torture: Senate condemns harsh CIA interrogation practices

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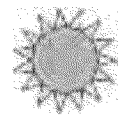
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State sues feds over wild horses, seeking to trim count

By Ben Neary
The Associated Press
with staff reports

Wyoming filed a federal lawsuit Monday seeking to force the federal government to reduce the number of wild horses that roam the state.

Wyoming claims the U.S. Department of Interior has failed to follow federal law in controlling wild horse populations.

Riverton is central to policy on wild horses in Wyoming. The Wyoming Honor Farm's annual wild horse adoption program is widely known, matching captured horses to selected Honor Farm inmates for training before the horses are put up for adoption by the public.

The program is conducted jointly through the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and the Wyoming Department of Corrections.

The most recent wild horse adoption at the Honor Farm was in September. 2015 adoption dates have not been finalized.

Gov. Matt Mead said too many wild horses can harm habitat used by other wildlife species, including sage grouse, deer and elk. He says overgrazing by horses can even threaten the horses themselves.

"It is my belief, and the belief of other western governors, that the BLM does not have the resources to manage wild horses effectively," Mead said. "By filing suit, it sends a message that wild horse management is a priority and the BLM must be provided the funding necessary to manage them."

Regional approval

The Western Governors Association passed a resolution last weekend at its meeting in Las Vegas stating that federal agencies' inability to rein in rising wild horse and burro populations is an urgent concern.

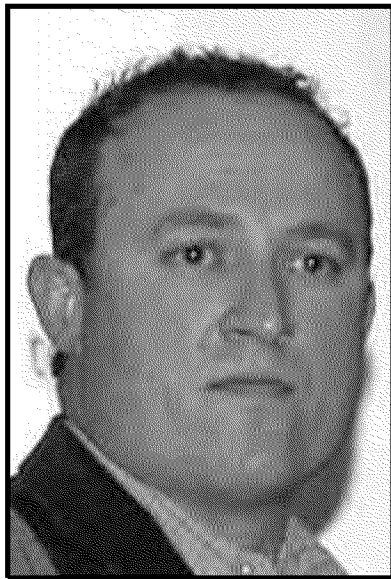
The BLM earlier this year estimated there were 3,771 wild horses in Wyoming. In its lawsuit, Wyoming claims the horse population exceeds appropriate levels in seven herd management areas by about 475 total horses while populations are constantly increasing.

An attempt to reach a BLM spokeswoman for comment on the state's lawsuit wasn't immediately successful Monday afternoon.

While Wyoming is complaining that the federal government isn't doing enough to reduce wild horse populations, the federal agency also is under fire from wild horse advocates who claim it's doing too much.

Horse advocate groups sued the BLM this year in an unsuccessful effort to stop the agency from rounding up wild horses from herd management areas around Rock Springs. The agency announced in October that it had

q Please see "Horses," page 7



Jeremiah Rieman is Gov. Matt Mead's energy policy adviser.

EPA asked state to assume Pavillion probe

q The federal agency's initial 2011 report was the first time a government study connected fracking to contaminated groundwater.

By Eric Blom
Staff Writer

Documents and interviews with state officials show the Environmental Protection Agency asked Wyoming to take over investigating whether hydraulic fracturing contaminated groundwater near Pavillion. The full series of events is difficult to verify until more records are

made public and because EPA officials have declined to comment much on the situation.

Examining groundwater in the Pavillion field east of the eponymous town, now operated by Canada-based Encana Oil and Gas, continues to be an issue for state, the fields operator and local residents. Just last week, Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission on released a draft report on a piece of the now state-led study, and the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality plans to finish a draft report on the third and final portion in March.

Headline-maker

The EPA started studying if fracking near Pavillion affected nearby groundwater, and the agency's 2011 draft report drawing a link between the two made headlines around the

world. It was the first time a government study connected fracking to contaminated groundwater.

The EPA opened its study for public comment and planned to submit it to experts for a peer review.

Encana and the Wyoming Governor's Office rejoined that the EPA's science was unsound and said the agency's conclusions were unsubstantiated.

The EPA extended the comment period several times, effectively delaying the review and setting back final conclusions.

Then on June 20, 2013, the EPA announced it was dropping its study and turning it over to one of its detractors, the State of Wyoming. The

q Please see "EPA," page 7

Notes and nativity



United Presbyterian Church combined its annual nativity walk with a piano recital Saturday. Rylee Johnson, above, a piano student under the direction of Debra Gard, played a tune for spectators. Below, nativity sets from various families were on display for the public to enjoy as they listened to Cora Remmacle play her piece. Remmacle also is a student of Gard's.

Photos by Tibby McDowell



No conclusions from preliminary autopsy of man found near Main

By Katie Roenigk
Staff Writer

The initial autopsy of a homeless Riverton man found deceased Dec. 3 near a municipal water tank on West Main Street was inconclusive.

"The pathologist wants to get his toxicology and everything done before he issues a final result, so it's pending," Fremont County Coroner Ed McAuslan said Monday.

The man was identified last week as Michael Anderson, 35, of Riverton.

He was found frozen at about 1:15 p.m. Dec. 3 on top of a dirt bunker behind the Riverton Chamber of Commerce, 213 W. Main St. Police said it appears he had been living in the area.

"He had a campsite made up," Riverton Police Department Capt. Eric Murphy said Thursday. "There was a canvas thing, like a shelter he'd built, (and) you could tell where he had kind of set up some rocks."

A pedestrian saw the body Wednesday afternoon and called authorities.

McAuslan said there was nothing "outwardly suspicious" about the situation.

"No trauma was visible," he said. "There was nothing that would lead us to any definite conclusions. At this particular point it's an unknown death."

q Please see "Autopsy," page 7

With lodging tax renewed, promotion plans made

q The tax raised \$634,000 in the last fiscal year, and it is on track to raise more this year, Wind River Visitors Council executive Paula McCormick said.

By Eric Blom
Staff Writer

The recently renewed lodging tax helps bring tourism dollars to Fremont County and supports some of the area's biggest celebrations, according to officials involved.

Voters approved the 4 percent tax on hotel rooms and campsites for four more years in the Nov. 4 general election. Three-quarters of the

revenue pays for advertising Fremont County to travelers. Roughly 2 percent covers accounting costs, and the rest goes to supports local events that draw tourists.

Last fiscal year, the tax raised \$634,000, and it is on track to raise more this year, Wind River Visitors Council executive Paula McCormick said.

This year, the visitors council is increasing billboard advertising for Wind River Country on common routes accessing Fremont County.

"We did start to do a couple billboards — we did have one billboard in Shoshoni," McCormick said. "We have purchased one for the summer on I-80 near Laramie and one in Casper on I-25 going west."

The visitors council also advertises in print and digital media, she said, and sends

brochures to people interested in visiting. It also markets to international travelers through advertisements.

"Every year I meet with 40 international tour operators face to face and give them a pitch about Wind River Country, our lodging, our outfitters and our dude ranchers," McCormick said. "We talk to tour operators directly who will talk to their clients directly."

Tourists spent about \$138 million in Fremont County last year, she said.

The money that supports events goes to the five municipalities that formed the visitors council through a joint powers agreement: Riverton, Lander, Dubois, Hudson and Shoshoni.

The local chamber of commerce or

q Please see "Tax," page 7

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We try to be as diverse as we can, but we are limited a little bit by state statute. We can't really spend for bricks and mortar ... the state statute says it's to help promote visitors to the region.

JIM DAVIS

Riverton Visitors Chamber of Commerce, on plans for lodging tax revenue



WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate investigators delivered a damning indictment of CIA practices Tuesday, accusing the spy agency of inflicting pain and suffering on prisoners beyond legal limits and deceiving the nation with stories of life-saving interrogations unsubstantiated by its own records.

Treatment in secret prisons a decade ago was worse than the government told Congress or the public, said the report from the Senate Intelligence Committee, the first official public accounting after years of debate about the CIA's brutal handling of prisoners.

Five hundred pages were released, representing the executive summary and conclusions of a still-classified 6,700-page full investigation.

President Barack Obama declared the past practices to be "contrary to our values" and pledged, "I will continue to use my authority as president to make sure we never resort to those methods again."

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., the committee chairman, branded the findings a stain

on the nation's history.

"Under any common meaning of the term,

CIA detainees were tortured," she declared, commanding the Senate floor for an extended accounting of the harsh techniques identified in the report.

Tactics included weeks of sleep deprivation, slapping and slamming of detainees against walls, confining them to small boxes, keeping them isolated for prolonged periods and threatening them with death. Three detainees faced the simulated drowning technique known as waterboarding. Many developed psychological problems.

But the "enhanced interrogation techniques" didn't produce the results that really mattered, the report asserts in its most controversial conclusion. It cites CIA cables, emails and interview transcripts to rebut the central justification for torture — that it thwarted terror plots and saved American lives.

In a statement, the CIA said the report "tells part of the story" but "there are too many flaws for it to stand as the official record of the program."



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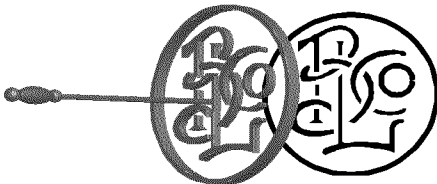
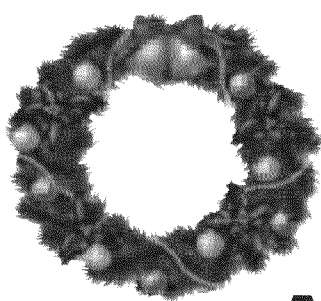
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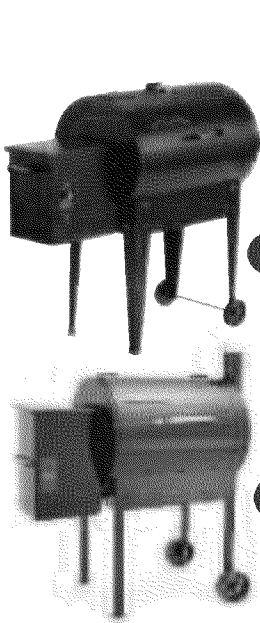
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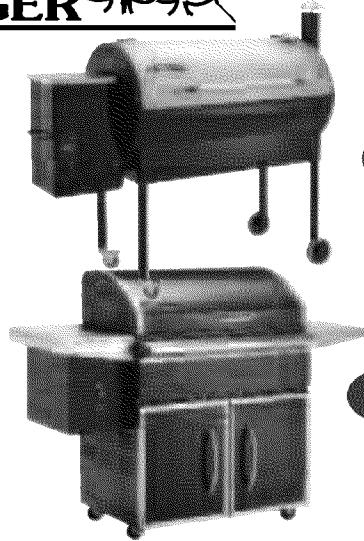
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Digest

No charge likely in shooting

CHEYENNE (AP) — Police in Cheyenne are not recommending any charges against a pharmacist who shot a man during a robbery attempt. 42-year-old Jackson Quick of Cheyenne shot a 30-year-old Cheyenne man in the Medica Pharmacy on Saturday. The man entered the pharmacy and brandished a toy gun that appeared to be real. He was wearing a black mask and demanded narcotics. He survived the shooting.

SkyWest gets \$3.5M subsidy

GILLETTE (AP) — Delta air carrier Sky West plans to begin offering jet service between Gillette and Salt Lake City starting Feb. 1. The jet flights will shave about 20 minutes off the current propeller-plane flights.

Sky West agreed to bring jet service to Gillette when Campbell County approved a \$3.5 million air service subsidy for the carrier in September. Sky West says the 50-passenger jet planes are faster and bigger than the 30-passenger planes flying the route right now.

I-25 fatalities more than triple

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) — Ten people have died in crashes on Interstate 25 in northern Colorado this year, more than three times the average over the last five years.

Eight vehicles were involved in the fatal crashes on the 35-mile stretch this year. All but two of them happened after June 1.

Chris Chimick of Cheyenne survived a crash near the I-25 Windsor exit in 2001. He says traffic and reckless driving has been increasing there for years.

Jewell: Feds would rather not list grouse

q Wyoming has developed a landowner/industry/conservation "work group" process that is being watched closely.

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Interior Secretary Sally Jewell says the federal government is trying to find a way to save the sage grouse without having to list the bird as an endangered species.

Wyoming is the site of prime grouse habitat.

Addressing Wyoming Gov. Matt Mead and other leaders at the Western Governor Association's winter meeting in Las Vegas, Jewell said the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has been working with environmentalists and officials in 11 Western states to find a solution to protect the species and its habitat without a formal listing.

"We want to create an environment where a listing is not warranted," she said. "So we're all working with that common objective. ... It truly is epic collaboration. It's not just the sage grouse that's at stake. It's the Western way of life that's at stake."

Jewell's comments came during a luncheon speech Saturday at the conference hosted by Republican Nevada Gov. Brian Sandoval, who is association chairman.

Mead and some other governors object to listing the sage grouse, arguing it would spare hundreds of thousands of acres from development and harm mining and ranching. Wyoming has developed a landowner/industry/conservation "work group" process that is being watched closely.

The Fish and Wildlife Service is

facing a September deadline to decide whether to list the bird as an endangered species and set aside protected habitat for it.

The two-day meeting also focused on energy needs, including fossil fuels and renewable resources such as wind, solar and geothermal. Governors also discussed land management and how to balance the competing needs of people and wildlife.

Sandoval said the West remains a place of great opportunity and growth, and the states are facing challenges in providing resources such as water and energy as a result.

"Across the West, we continue to face growing communities and new challenges," he said in his opening remarks. "The challenges of these new populations must be

met head-on."

U.S. Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz touted the Obama administration's "all of the above energy policy," which promotes both fossil fuel development as well as clean energy.

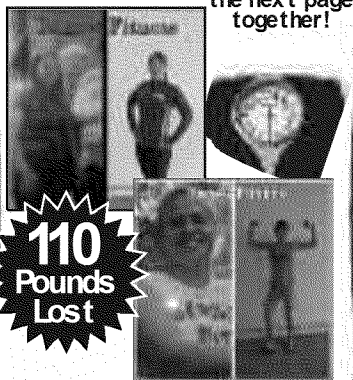
"We clearly want to work with the states in all the ways that we can to keep minimizing the environmental footprints," he said.

Moniz said the administration is working on programs to recycle nuclear fuels and will not force a high-level nuclear waste site on any state.

Nevada's Yucca Mountain, 100 miles northwest of Las Vegas, has long been targeted as a repository site, but Sen. Harry Reid, Sandoval and other top Nevada elected officials remain strongly opposed to it.

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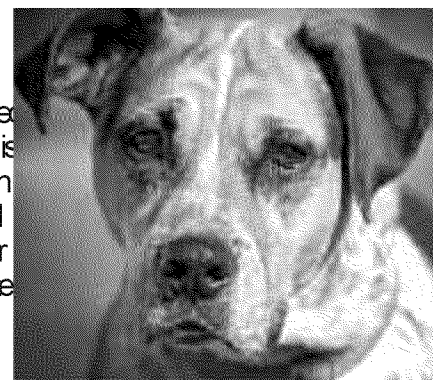
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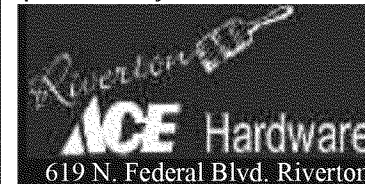
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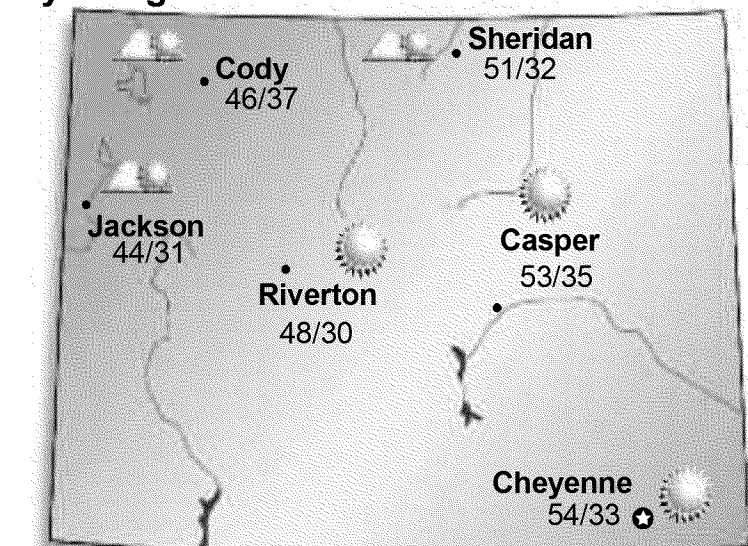
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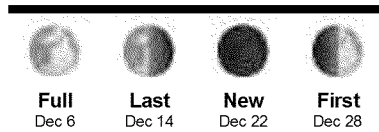
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Cheyenne	54	33	sunny	Laramie	51	28	pt sunny	Sheridan	51	32	pt sunny
Cody	46	37	pt sunny	Lusk	53	33	mst sunny	Thermopolis	49	34	pt sunny
Douglas	56	29	mst sunny	Mountain View	50	29	mst sunny	Torrington	59	28	pt sunny
Evanston	48	32	pt sunny	Newcastle	49	32	pt sunny	Wheatland	59	34	mst sunny
Gillette	52	36	mst sunny	Pinedale	41	23	pt sunny	Worland	43	22	mst sunny
Green River	46	22	mst sunny	Powell	45	33	pt sunny	Yellowstone NP	39	25	pt sunny

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
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Chicago	33	23	pt sunny	Miami	68	51	sunny	Seattle	57	52	rain
Dallas	62	49	cloudy	Minneapolis	31	22	pt sunny	St. Louis	39	29	pt sunny
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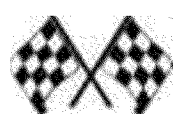


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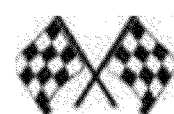
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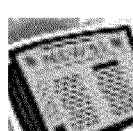


WEEKLY PRO RACING UPDATE

Postseason Racing News, Stats & Trivia



This Week's Racing News



For the 12th consecutive year, Dale Earnhardt Jr. named the sport's Most Popular Driver Award balloting sponsored by the National Motorsports Promotion Association and, for the first time ever, known as the Sprint NMPA Most Popular Driver Award.

Earnhardt thanked fans for voting for him after receiving the award during Friday's NASCAR Sprint Cup Awards Banquet, giving special acknowledgement to those who follow him on Twitter. "To be able to connect to the fans like that this year, and to see their efforts, this is for them," Earnhardt said. "When we had our bad weeks, y'all picked up. And when we won, we all celebrated together." Earnhardt continues to inch closer to Bill Elliott, who owns 16 Most Popular Driver awards, the most in the contest's history.

Racing History

Dec. 14, 1927 Former Cup driver Helmut McGriff was born on this day. McGriff was a 1950s race driver who won the Camping World West Series at the spry age of 81. He finished 13th of 26 cars on the road course of Portland (Ore.) International Raceway in July and two weeks later finished 19th on the road course of Miller Motorsports Park in Tooele, Utah.

Racing Trivia

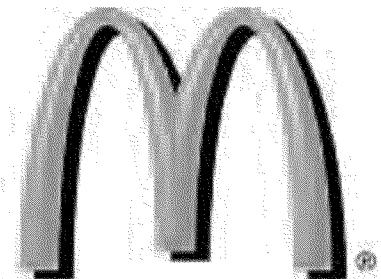
What position did Rusty Wallace finish in his first Cup race?
a) 1st b) 2nd c) 10th d) 21st
Answer: b) 2nd. Rusty currently holds the record for most poles in a single season with 13 poles in 1994.

All-Time Top Driver's Bio

Rusty Wallace

Born: Aug. 14, 1956
Cup wins: 55
NASCAR Top-tens: 349
Cup championships: 1

Wallace finished second in his first NASCAR race at the Atlanta 500. He made nine further NASCAR appearances over the next three years, although he did not score any further top 10 finishes. Wallace joined the Cup series full-time in 1984, winning Rookie of the Year honors and finishing 14th in the final points standings. He won his first Cup race in 1986 at the Bri Motor Speedway in the Valleydale 500. Rusty earned his first pole position about a year later at the Miller 400 at International Speedway. In 1989, he victories along with thirteen top 5s and twenty top 10s to win the Cup championship, beating arch rival Dale Earnhardt by just 12 points for the honor. Rusty won at least one race every year from 1986 to 2002. His last Cup victory came in 2004 in the Advance Auto Parts 500 at Martinsville Speedway in Virginia.



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If you're interested, give the newspaper office a call at 856-2244.

Rolling again

Many readers know we've have a press malfunction during the past week. As of Tuesday morning we are up and running again at full capacity. Watch for some more words on this topic later this week.

December?

A couple of weeks ago we speculated whether the Arctic chill that plunged temperatures to more than 20 degrees below zero in the second week of November might turn out to be the coldest weather we would see until spring. In other words, will that week in mid-autumn freeze out anything we'll get this winter?

So far, so good. Nothing since that week has even come close. The first week of December was more like early April than two weeks to Christmas. Sunday's extremes in Riverton were 56 and 19. That's the equivalent of a high of 113 degrees in late July.

It looks like more of the same for the rest of this week. No white Christmas at this rate, but there's still time.

Dear Santa ...

We've received our first letters to Santa Claus, and we're expecting several hundred more in the next couple of weeks.

If you are writing to Santa:

- Please submit letters in person to the mailbox just inside our front door at 421 E. Main St. in Riverton, or in person at the Lander Journal office at 332 Main St. in that city;
- Or, mail letters to Santa Claus at: North Pole, P.O. Box 993, Riverton, WY 82501;
- Or, by e-mail at santaletters@wyoming.com.

The elves are typing away. Ideally, we would have all the letters no later than 5 p.m. Dec. 19, and we can't guarantee publication in our Christmas Eve edition if they aren't in hand by Dec. 22.

Season's greetings.

Cowboy in the end zone

Something unusual happened Sunday. A former Wyoming Cowboy scored a touchdown in a nationally televised National Football League game. In case you haven't been keeping track of Malcom Floyd since his senior year at UWV, he has played 10 years for the San Diego Chargers and is having a solid season in 2014. (And Sunday's nice, diving catch from quarterback Phillip Rivers wasn't even his first national TV touchdown this year. He scored on the first Monday Night Football game of the season.

There aren't many TD-scoring Wyoming Cowboys in the league, but Malcom Floyd is one who has had a long, productive pro career.

Russell watch

Even as the better-known stock market indexes push through new records, the hypothetical investment in the comprehensive Russell 3000 index we imagined in October following a steep market downturn hasn't followed suit entirely. It's done well enough, but it has not matched the record-setting performances of the Dow Jones Industrial Average or the Standard & Poors 500.

We'll keep an eye on it for a year. Through seven weeks, had you actually invested \$750 in an index fund based only on the rise or fall of the Russell 3000 index, as of Tuesday morning it would have been worth \$766.84.

New Ranger face

The Ranger has new advertising staff member. She's Cindy Parkhurst, an experienced newspaper professional who recently returned to some family roots in Fremont County. She'll be calling on advertising accounts in both Riverton and Lander. It is a good turn of luck for us to have Cindy in our fold. We welcome her, and we encourage our customers to do the same.

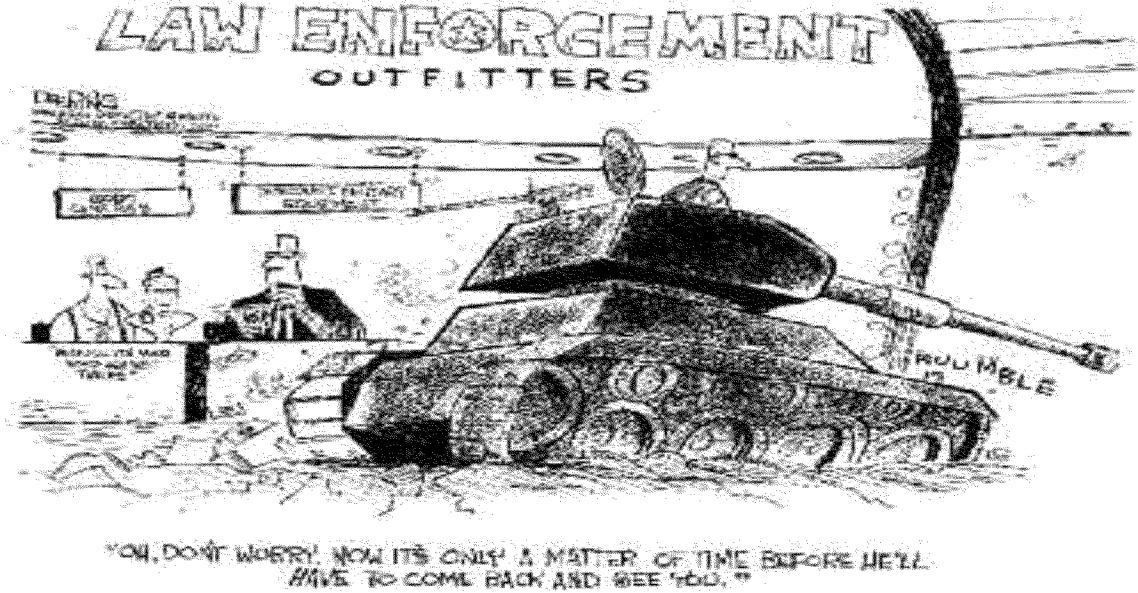
The dark side

Mild temperatures aside, a sure sign of the imminence of true winter is the brevity of sunshine. Our daylight period is about as short as it can get now. Sunset hardly changes at all for the rest of the month, and the last bits of available light are being squeezed out of the sunrise as the giant pendulum of the heavens swings far out in its winter direction and almost seems to pause.

Darkness can be bad for your health. It's true. Get some light in your life.

Here's to a good week.

— Steven R. Peck



A 'plunger salute' for a funny column

Editor:

A plunger salute to Clair McFarland for her column from Nov. 20 on plumbing problems. When in doubt, call Dad.

I really got a kick out of it. (And I do hope Clair will give "Sunny D" one more chance.) Very good fun.

Tammy Norris-Will
Riverton

Battle lines drawn for immigration fight

q Republicans have threatened lawsuits and legislation that would block who falls under the president's executive order.

By Franco Ordonez
Tribune News Service

The White House came under heavy scrutiny from Republicans on Tuesday in what is expected to be the first of many clashes over President Barack Obama's controversial executive action that shields from deportation around 4 million people in the country illegally and provides them with work permits.

At a House Homeland Security Committee hearing, led by Rep. Michael McCaul, R-Texas, Republican lawmakers spent two hours grilling Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson; he spent two hours deflecting them. It was the first chance to see each side's likely political strategy in what is sure to be a long battle ahead over the immigration order.

Here's how things are shaping up:

- Why this fight is important
Republicans: GOP leaders acknowledge that the country's immigration system is broken, but they say Obama's unilateral action without congressional say-so threatens the democratic process, probably violates the law, and undermines the principles of the country.

"Regardless of where you stand

on the issue, there's a right way to do this and a wrong way," McCaul said. "Unfortunately, the president has taken the wrong way."

White House: Johnson said he wants to work with Congress but that Republicans in the House of Representatives have failed to come forward with a legitimate bipartisan proposal. He defended the administration's executive action on immigration as a "simple, common-sense" approach to promote accountability for millions of people who aren't seen as a danger and are unlikely to be deported anyway.

- The coming clash

Republicans: Republicans have threatened lawsuits and legislation that would block who falls under the executive order. Some Republicans, such as Rep. Steve King of Iowa, have called to stop funding for the action. If that move results in a government shutdown, King says it will be Obama's fault.

White House: Johnson warned that withholding funding or requiring incremental funding bills is "a very bad idea." He said it would prevent him from hiring new Secret Service agents during the 2016 presidential campaign. And, he said, it would prevent him from funding new detention centers and paying for additional repatriation flights and other security measures on the Southwest border.

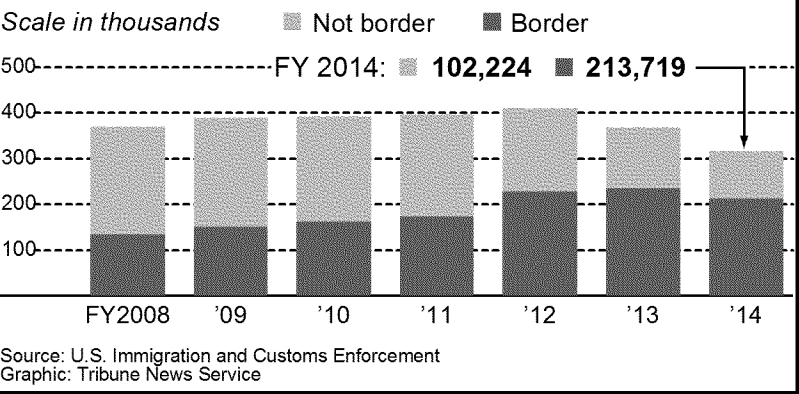
- Obama's words

Republicans: McCaul and other members of the committee repeatedly pointed to the president's own words. Obama said at past rallies

Stopping at the border

Deportations by U.S. immigration authorities continued to fall from its 2012 peak. Deportations of people apprehended at the border remain a large share of all deportations.

Border and interior removals



that he didn't have the authority to take executive action to shield more people from deportation. Now he says he does. Rep. Jason Chaffetz, R-Utah, played a short video clip of a recent pro-immigrant rally in which Obama said: "What you're not paying attention to is the fact that I just took an action to change the law."

White House: Johnson countered that he had reviewed each of the policies and found that none violated any existing laws. He didn't take kindly to the playing of the video clip: "We acted within existing law. We acted within our existing legal authority. Listen, I've been a lawyer 30 years. Somebody plays me an eight-word excerpt from a broader speech, I know to be suspicious." His response generated a laugh from the audience.

- Potential consequences

Republicans: Citing the wave of illegal immigration that followed

the 1986 legalization law signed by President Ronald Reagan, Republicans expect a surge of more migrants trying to come into the country illegally. "We essentially tell citizens of other countries, 'If you come here, you can stay,'" McCaul said. "Don't worry. We won't deport you." He also warned of fraud and asked Johnson how the administration would stop people from using fake applications to enter the deferred deportation program.

White House: Johnson said the White House would focus enforcement efforts on those who arrived illegally after Jan. 1, 2014, regardless of where they were apprehended. He cited upcoming trips to Mexico to work with its government on its own interdiction efforts. He said he also was concerned about fraud, which he said had the potential to "undermine the whole process."

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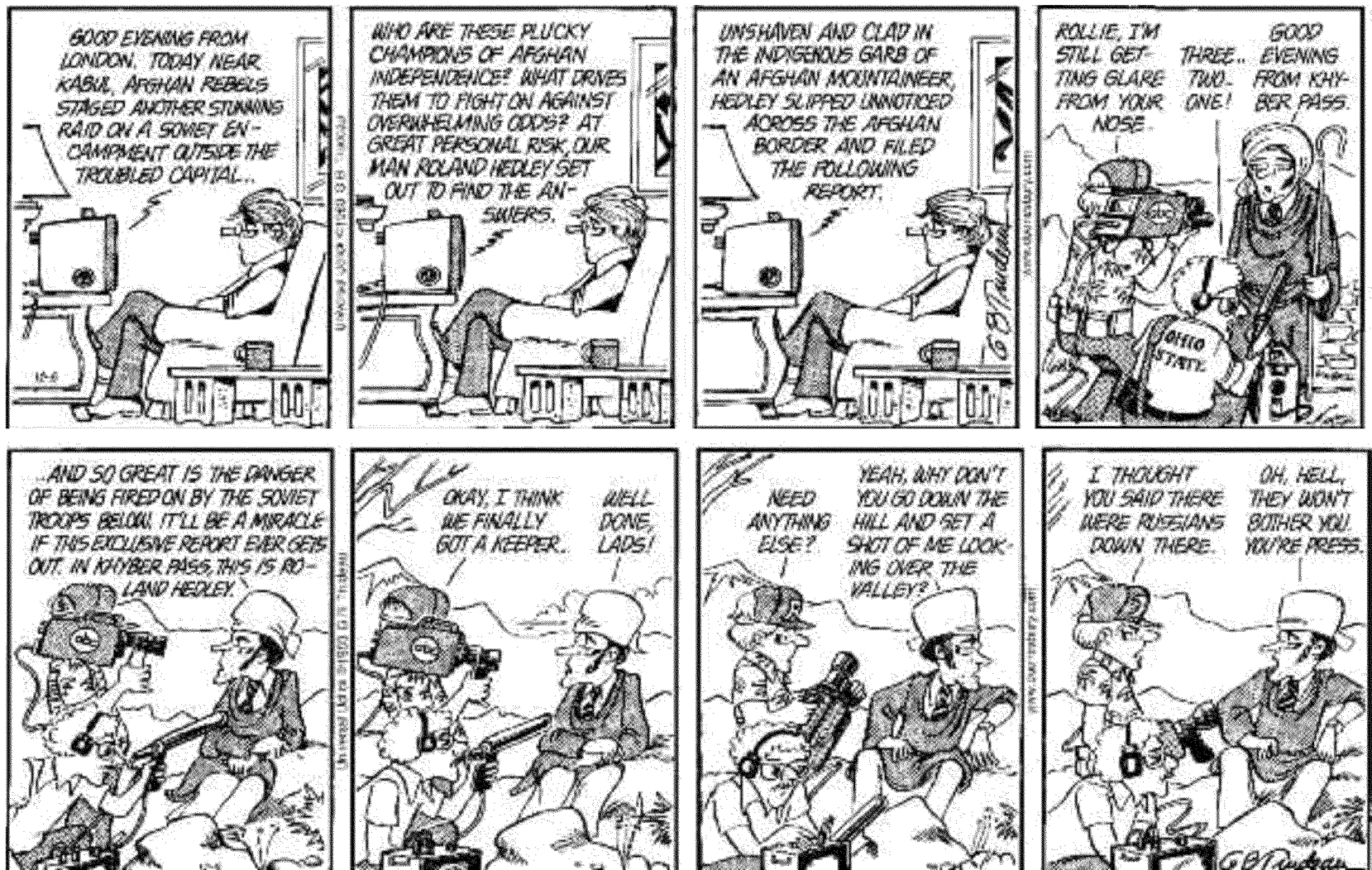
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CLASSIC DOONESBURY (1972)

by G.B. Trudeau



Organizers want to expand Life R U Ready

The program aims to prevent risky behavior in young people.

By Eric Blom
Staff Writer

Organizers of an event designed to prevent risky behaviors in young people think the program was effective in its first year in Fremont County, and they hope to expand the event to more schools next year.

The program, Life R U Ready, had sixth-graders encounter simulated situations involving alcohol and drugs and their consequences. Fremont County Public Health and more than 40 other agencies staged the event in April at the Fremont County Fairgrounds.

"It was a huge success," said Fremont County Public Health nurse Julie Twist at a Fremont County Commission meeting Nov. 18.

The event had a mock party scene, a courtroom jail and a car crash, she said, and it was the first event of its kind in Fremont County, but groups had put it on in Worland and Gillette.

Fremont County Public Health workers and other agencies met again in the fall to plan the second Life R U Ready program for the spring. The organizers said they hope to include larger schools.

"If we get Riverton schools, that's like three times all our little schools," said Fremont County Public Health Riverton manager Kathy Laidlaw. "Instead of one half day we'd probably have to make it like two full days."

The event in April included



Organizers of the Life R U Ready event, including Fremont County Public Health's Kathy Laidlaw, left, and Julie Twist, told Fremont County Commissioners on Nov. 18 that they plan to expand their program in the coming year.

Photo by Eric Blom

roughly 180 sixth-graders from schools in Pavillion, Shoshoni, Dubois and Fort Washakie.

In two years, the public health nurses want to expand the program again to include eighth-graders at the same schools, Laidlaw said. That essentially would bring back the students from the program's first year.

The event includes surveying the students about risky behaviors, such as drug and alcohol use, in which they have engaged. The nurses want to see if their program has had an effect by studying stu-

dents who went through the program two years earlier.

Ultimately, organizers hope to put the program on for sixth- and eighth-graders every year.

"We want to get the sixth-graders and the eighth-graders then you have some way to evaluate, did it delay risky behavior?" Twist said.

The idea to put on Life R U Ready came from Fremont County Public Health's 2011 evaluation of local health issues.

"The overarching problem in our county was alcohol," Twist

said.

Commissioners said they supported the program and suggested organizers reach out to the Lander and Riverton school boards if the staff in those districts do not respond to invitations to get involved.

"I think it's a great program. I would even suggest going to the school boards and giving a presentation," commissioner Stephanie Kessler said. "I think they would be very interested and welcoming and would do what they could to support it."

Public Notice

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RIVERTON CITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
Held November 18, 2014 at 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Riverton City Council was held on the above date and time, duly convened by Mayor Ronald O. Warness at 7:00 p.m. City Council Members present were Rich Gard, Mary Ellen Christensen, Martin Cannan, Jonathan Faubion, and Kyle Larson. Council Member Cannan led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Warness declared a quorum of the Council.

City Staff present were City Administrator Steven M. Weaver, City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender, Public Works Director Kyle J. Butterfield, Community Development Director Sandy Luers, and Chief of Police Mike Broadhead.

Approval of the Agenda. - Council Member Gard moved, seconded by Council Member Christensen to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Communication from the Floor/Response to Citizen's Comments. - None.

Consent Agenda. - City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender read the consent agenda items by title only: Approval of the Minutes - November 3, 2014 Regular Council Meeting; Approval of the Minutes - November 17, 2014 Finance Committee Meeting; Approval of the Finance Committee Recommendations - November 17, 2014 - claims to be paid in the amount of \$910,052.83, manual checks in the amount of \$158.40, checks written for payroll/liabilities for 10/31/2014 in the amount of \$338,463.29. Elan credit card in the amount of \$9,616.25 for a total of \$1,258,290.77; Approval of the Municipal Court Report for the month of October 2014. Council Member Christensen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Larson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

WYDOT Presentation - Storm Water on North Federal Blvd. - City Administrator Steven Weaver informed the Mayor and Council of a future project initiated by WYDOT (Wyoming Department of Transportation) that involved the replacement of existing and/or new storm water infrastructure for N. Federal Blvd. Mr. Weaver introduced Robert Scheidemantel with WYDOT to present information and recommendations for the project which will be commencing in 2018. No action was taken.

Amendment to the ADS-B Site License Agreement with Exelis, Inc. - City Administrator Steven Weaver reported on an amendment to the License Agreement with Exelis. For informational purposes, in 2012, the FAA awarded Exelis, Inc. a contract that consists of an initiative to introduce new technology that will vastly improve the methods used to allow planes to safely transit the airspace. The amendment addresses four items: a one-time capital contribution on behalf of Exelis, Inc. for an HVAC system at the DCI building, a process for monthly payments of \$100 for electrical usage, the installation of a backup generator, and provisions for moving the system to a different location if it is necessary in the future. Council Member Christensen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Faubion to approve the amendment to the current license agreement with Exelis, Inc. Motion passed unanimously.

Summer 2014 Project Review - Director of Public Works Kyle J. Butterfield conducted a presentation on the summer projects that were underway and/or completed during the spring and summer months. Projects included Riverview Rd., South Federal, the Riverwalk, Riverton Water Supply, and Riverview Utility Improvements. One Percent (1%) capital projects included: Woodridge Estates, Miscellaneous Concrete Repair, Major Pavement Patching and Pure Gas Road Overlay.

Council Committee Reports & Council Members' Roundtable - Council Members Larson, Faubion, Cannan, and Gard reported: inquiries from citizens regarding lighting and crosswalks on Pure Gas Road; the upcoming fundraiser this weekend for the animal shelter; attending an EMS Sustainability Task Force meeting and the VOA Empty Bowl Event which raised over \$10,000 not including expenses; commended Jim Matson on his years of services to the City of Riverton/Airport Board, notification that the Airport Board meeting for this month has been cancelled, respectively.

City Administrator's Report - City Administrator Steven M. Weaver reported the Sanitation Open House will be held Wednesday, November 19, 2014 from 5:00p.m. to 7:00p.m.; City Hall will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday Nov. 27th and 28th; if you are an elected official and would like to attend the WAM Winter Workshop please let him know; requested that residents shovel their sidewalks during snow events.

Mayor's Comments - Mayor Warness commented on Jim Matson's service to the city; congratulated Eli Bebout on his appointment in the Senate; announced the REEDA meeting in the morning at 7:00a.m. and invited other elected officials to "The Buzz" on the radio.

Adjourn - There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Faubion moved, seconded by Council Member Larson to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 8:16 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

CITY OF RIVERTON, WYOMING
Ronald O. Warness, Mayor

ATTEST:
Courtney V. Bohlender
City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services

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Absaroka Car Courses	100.00	North Central Labs	250.62
Ace Hardware #10847C	728.58	Petty Cash	163.59
Alco	831.62	Psychological Services	243.00
Ameri-Tech Equipment Co.	739.56	Radio Shack	334.55
Amerigas Propane Lp	141.07	RC Lock & Key	33.63
Artcraft Printers	1.80	Riverton Postmaster	3000.00
Bailey Enterprises Inc.	17956.30	Riverton Sr Citizens Center, Inc.	5833.33
Bloodorn Lumber - Riverton	818.24	Riverton Tire & Oil Co Inc.	3626.31
Boot Barn Inc.	289.98	Riverton Winnelson Co	3220.05
Bradford Supply Co	84.59	Rocky Mountain Power	18703.49
Burns & McDonnell Eng Co	6644.37	Rosche, Sherrill	20.00
Byerly, Todd	640.00	Selby's Essco	155.71
Capital Business Systems Inc.	81.13	Stitches Embroidery, Inc.	56.62
Carquest Auto Parts	1373.75	Stotz Equipment	3720.27
CD Signs & Supply	736.70	Titan Machinery Corporation	726.34
Century Link	1083.62	Trans Risk & Alternative Data Solut	133.00
Century Link	825.50	Traveling Computers Inc.	149.99
Chief Law Enforcement Supply	95.39	Union Telephone Co	97.90
Colman Equipment Co	811.56	USA Blue Book	1186.65
Colonial Research Chem Corp	427.93	Vinich, Milan	25.20
Crum Electric Supply Co	130.00	Waste Systems	3416.96
Dealers Electrical Supply Co	39.24	Western Law Associates PC	3386.75
Elan Credit Card	9616.25	Wex Bank	12356.88
Encana	52.44	Wy Dept of Employment	63.69
Environmental Safety, Inc.	3499.00	Wy Dept of Transportation	590071.45
Fastenal Company	25.60	Wy Financial Insurance Inc.	50.00
Federal Express Corporation	40.61	Wy Law Enforcement Academy	791.07
Filman, Shirley	30.00	Wy Rents LLC	218.50
Fremont Co Treasurer	158.40	Wy State Lands & Investments	88999.83
Galls, An Aramark Co LLC	336.95	Wy Water Dev Commission	66839.53
Grainger	355.60	Wyoming.com	90.00
Hague Auto Body, Inc.	125.00		808124.91
Hasco Industrial Supply	421.48		
High Plains Power Inc.	863.23	Total Checks	919827.48
Hub Int'l Mountain States Ltd	263.00		
Ideal Auto Electric	500.00	AP CHECKS	
Inberg-Miller Engineers	5600.00	Aflac	1412.81
Int'l Code Council	48.00	Blue Cross Blue Shield of WY	119370.53
Jack's Saw Shop Inc.	218.68	Florida State Disbursement Unit	257.24
Jiffy Rental Center	405.00	Great West Trust Company	3583.79
John Deere Financial	241.59	ICMA Retirement Trust 457	538.87
Jvation, Inc.	22292.81	Idaho Child Support	128.30
K-Mart #4837	49.75	Iowa Collection Services	197.16
Kepler Waterworks	246.00	Lincoln National Life	515.63
Kimball Midwest	385.25	Vision Service Plan	1076.31
Lexisnexis Matthew Bender	44.44	Wy Child Support Enforcement	303.23
Loomacres, Inc.	7111.59	Internal Revenue Service	55532.16
Mader, Tschacher, Peterson	20000.00		182916.03
Martin, A. D. Lumber Company	30.58		
Matrix Research Lab Inc.	1195.20	PAYROLL	155547.26
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NFL glance

All Times EST AMERICAN CONFERENCE										
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
New England	10	3	0	.769	401	267				
Miami	7	6	0	.538	314	260				
Buffalo	7	6	0	.538	281	241				
N.Y. Jets	2	11	0	.154	214	349				
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Indianapolis	9	4	0	.692	407	307				
Houston	7	6	0	.538	314	260				
Tennessee	2	11	0	.154	220	374				
Jacksonville	2	11	0	.154	199	356				
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Cincinnati	8	4	1	.654	281	289				
Pittsburgh	8	5	0	.615	362	319				
Baltimore	8	5	0	.615	356	255				
Cleveland	7	6	0	.538	276	270				
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Denver	10	3	0	.769	385	293				
San Diego	8	5	0	.615	293	272				
Kansas City	7	6	0	.538	291	241				
Oakland	2	11	0	.154	200	350				

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Philadelphia	9	4	0	.692	389	309				
Dallas	9	4	0	.692	343	301				
N.Y. Giants	4	9	0	.308	293	326				
Washington	3	10	0	.231	244	346				
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Atlanta	5	8	0	.385	328	342				
New Orleans	5	8	0	.385	333	359				
Carolina	4	8	1	.346	269	341				
Tampa Bay	2	11	0	.154	237	348				
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Green Bay	10	3	0	.769	423	304				
Detroit	9	4	0	.692	265	224				
Minnesota	6	7	0	.462	263	281				
Chicago	5	8	0	.385	281	378				
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA				
Arizona	10	3	0	.769	275	238				
Seattle	9	4	0	.692	322	235				
San Francisco	7	6	0	.538	244	268				
St. Louis	6	7	0	.462	285	285				

Thursday's Game
Dallas 41, Chicago 28
Sunday's Games
N.Y. Giants 36, Tennessee 7
Carolina 41, New Orleans 10
Minnesota 30, N.Y. Jets 24, OT
Pittsburgh 42, Cincinnati 21
St. Louis 24, Washington 0
Baltimore 28, Miami 13
Indianapolis 25, Cleveland 24
Detroit 34, Tampa Bay 17
Houston 27, Jacksonville 13
Denver 24, Buffalo 17
Arizona 17, Kansas City 14
Oakland 24, San Francisco 13
Seattle 24, Philadelphia 14
New England 23, San Diego 14
Monday's Game
Green Bay 43, Atlanta 37
Thursday, Dec. 11
Arizona at St. Louis, 8:25 p.m.

NBA glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB		
Toronto	16	5	.762	0		
Brooklyn	8	11	.421	7		
Boston	7	12	.368	8		
New York	4	18	.182	12½		
Philadelphia	2	18	.100	13½		
Southeast	W	L	Pct	GB		
Atlanta	14	6	.700	0		
Washington	14	6	.700	0		
Miami	9	11	.450	5		
Orlando	9	14	.391	6½		
Charlotte	5	15	.250	9		
Central	W	L	Pct	GB		
Cleveland	12	7	.632	0		
Chicago	12	8	.600	½		
Milwaukee	11	11	.500	2½		
Indiana	7	14	.333	6		
Detroit	3	18	.143	10		

WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB		
Houston	16	4	.800	0		
Memphis	16	4	.800	0		
San Antonio	15	5	.750	1		
Dallas	16	6	.727	1		
New Orleans	9	10	.474	6½		
Northwest	W	L	Pct	GB		
Portland	16	4	.800	0		
Denver	9	12	.429	7½		
Oklahoma City	7	13	.350	9		
Utah	5	16	.238	11½		
Minnesota	4	16	.200	12		
Pacific	W	L	Pct	GB		
Golden State	18	2	.900	0		
L.A. Clippers	15	5	.750	3		
Phoenix	12	10	.545	7		
Sacramento	11	10	.524	7½		
L.A. Lakers	5	16	.238	13½		

Monday's Games
Washington 133, Boston 132, OT
Atlanta 108, Indiana 92
Toronto 112, Denver 107, OT
Cleveland 110, Brooklyn 88
Golden State 102, Minnesota 86
Sacramento 101, Utah 92
L.A. Clippers 121, Phoenix 120, OT
Tuesday's Games
Toronto at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Portland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
New York at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Miami at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
San Antonio at Utah, 9 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Raptors edge
Nuggets on
OT 3-pointer

TORONTO (AP) -- Patrick Patterson was standing at the 3-point line, waiting for a pass he wasn't sure would come.

When the ball arrived, he knocked down the biggest shot of the game.

Kyle Lowry had 13 points and 13 assists, Jonas Valanciunas added 18 points and 12 rebounds, and the Toronto Raptors rallied to beat the Denver Nuggets 112-107 in overtime Monday night.

Lou Williams scored 26 and Amir Johnson had 18 for the Raptors, who trailed by five with less than three minutes to play but got a tying 3-pointer from Patterson with 28 seconds left.

Lowry's 13 assists matched a season best, the third time he's reached the mark.

Defending champ Chiefs set to chase new title

By Randy Tucker
Staff Writer

The look will be much different for the defending Class 2-A state champion Wyoming Indian boys this season.

The Chiefs were a potent, power-oriented, low-post offensive team a season ago but speed, quickness and solid basketball skills will replace that this year.

Wyoming Indian head coach Craig Ferris has just two seniors, Keegan Her Many Horses and Derrick Aragon. With this year's abbreviated season, that could be a cause for worry for many coaches, but Ferris is confident in his team.

"We might be young, but the good part about it is these guys are smart. They are picking up things pretty quick," Ferris said. "Having young guys with basketball smarts really helps"

Stellar sophomore Buell Robinson returns to lead the Chiefs. With the outside shooting and driving ability of Noah Valdez and the versatility of Jared Mosqueda, the Chiefs once again will be a force across the Class 2-A ranks.

Other players expected to play serious roles this season are Ryan Tiger, Cory Lamebear, Natiun Trosper and freshman Joe Sazue. Ferris is assisted again by his



Antone Monroe drove on Derek Aragon as Ryan Tiger set a pick and Buell Robinson rode through the screen during basketball practice at Wyoming Indian High School. Photo by Randy Tucker

brother, Mike Hiwalker. Lyle Valdez rounds out the staff.

In the Class 2-A Southwest, Ferris predicts Lyman as a contender.

"They have size, and they play big and physical like all the teams that drop from 3-A to 2-A," Ferris said.

Wind River should be talented this season as well.

In the Northwest, Greybull returns a solid team. Rocky Mountain is laden with seniors.

The Chiefs open play Thursday night in Big Horn County against longtime rival Lovell.

Lovell has moved to class 3-A

while Lyman dropped a division.

The shift moved Shoshoni from the Southwest to the Northwest 2-A, but the 10 team regional concept is intact for the culminating regional tournament in February.

The Chiefs continue on to Billings for a weekend tournament against Montana schools.

Moss at WIHS girls basketball helm for 25th season

Two all-stars return for the Lady Chiefs this year.

By Randy Tucker
Sports Writer

The Wyoming Indian High School gym is full of girls practicing basketball this month. Venerable Wyoming Indian head girls coach Aleta Moss has 27 girls on the squad this season and hopes are high for the third-place team from the Class 2-A state tournament a season ago.

Moss enters her 25th season leading the Lady Chiefs.

Though Mikayla Littlesfield and 2014 all state selections Loveeda White and Taylor

Harris are the team's only seniors, Moss has a bevy of talented underclassmen, including juniors Rhiannon Mitchell, Shaunte St. Clair and Kayleen Harding.

Five sophomores are vying for positions on the varsity, including Amryn Brown, Morning Gambler, Joely Trosper, Memory Clifford and Auburn Bell.

Haile Aragon is a freshman but could see time at the varsity level as well.

The only caveat on the team's promise this season is the lack of a true post player.

"I like to go inside a lot, so we're going to have to work on that," Moss said.

The Lady Chiefs are quick, shoot the ball well, and, behind White's leadership and all-around play, will be a force to reckon with in

the 2-A West.

Moss is assisted by Jo Bell and Bryan Trosper.

The Chiefs will face possibly their biggest challenge in the entire 2-A division with newly arrived Lyman. The Eagles dropped from Class 3-A this season and are tall, talented and fared well in the larger division a season ago.

Wyoming Indian opens play Thursday with a familiar opponent in the Lovell Bulldogs.

The game may not have the same implications as in past years because Lovell has moved to 3-A this season, but it remains one of the top rivalries in all of Wyoming.

The Lady Chiefs continue on to Billings for a Friday-Saturday tournament against Montana schools.

Mariota frontrunner for Heisman Trophy

NEW YORK -- (AP) -- The Heisman Trophy finalists would make one heck of an offense.

Oregon quarterback Marcus Mariota, Alabama receiver Amari Cooper and record-breaking Wisconsin running back Melvin Gordon are set to make the trip to New York for the Heisman presentation after the finalists were announced Monday.

Mariota is considered the clear front-runner to win the 80th Heisman on Saturday night in New York. He would become the first Oregon player to earn college football's most famous player of the year trophy.

"It is humbling to be considered for an award that I have admired for a very long time," Mariota said in a statement. "I would like to thank my teammates and coaches as I could not have been recognized as a finalist without their help."

Mariota and the second-seeded Ducks will face Florida State and last year's Heisman winner, Jameis Winston, in the Rose Bowl Game presented by Northwestern Mutual in the College Football Playoff semifinals Jan. 1.

Cooper helped Alabama earn the top seed in the playoff. The Crimson Tide play Ohio State in the Allstate Sugar Bowl in New Orleans.

Winston becomes the seventh player since 2003 to take a shot at a Heisman repeat and come up short. Ohio State's Archie Griffin is the only player to win two Heismans.

Finalists are determined by percentage of votes received from 929 media members and former winners.

Mariota didn't even break the



Wisconsin running back Melvin Gordon is a finalist for the Heisman Trophy. TNS

top 10 in the Heisman voting last season but entered 2014 as one of the preseason favorites.

He delivered a spectacular season in his third year as the Ducks' starter. He is the nation's top-rated passer (186.3) and has thrown for 3,783 yards and 38 touchdowns with just two interceptions.

He also has run for 669 yards and 14 touchdowns for the Pac-12 champions.

He is Oregon's third finalist, joining quarterback Joey Harrington (2001) and running back LaMichael James (2010).

Gordon leads the nation with 2,336 yards rushing and 179.7 yards per game. Gordon broke the single-game Football Bowl Subdivision rushing record with 408 yards against Nebraska, a

record that stood for only a week. He needs another huge game in the Outback Bowl against Auburn to break Barry Sanders' single-season record of 2,628, set in his Heisman-winning season of 1988 with Oklahoma State.

Thearon W. Henderson/Getty Images Oregon QB Marcus Mariota (above) joined Alabama receiver Amari Cooper and Wisconsin running back Melvin Gordon as Heisman finalists named Monday. He is the fourth Wisconsin running back to be a finalist. The Badgers have had two Heisman winners: Alan Ameche (1954) and Ron Dayne (1999).

Cooper set a Southeastern Conference record with 115 catches for 1,656 yards and 14

touchdowns for the top-ranked Crimson Tide.

Cooper is the fourth Alabama finalist since Mark Ingram became the Tide's first winner in 2009.

"This will be my first trip to New York City, and I can't put into words how much it means to me and my family," Cooper said in a statement.

"I am privileged to have the opportunity to represent our team at the Heisman ceremony. None of this would be possible without my coaches and teammates."

Heisman voters submit a ballot with their top three selections. Mariota, Gordon and Cooper emerged as such strong candidates late in the season that the rest of the field drifted away.

The last time voters picked only three Heisman finalists was 2012, when Johnny Manziel won in a landslide vote against Kansas State's Collin Klein and Notre Dame's Manti Te'o.

Mississippi State quarterback Dak Prescott made a strong push in October but tailed off in November as the Bulldogs lost twice.

Ohio State quarterback J.T. Barrett was making a late-season surge before he was injured in the regular-season finale against Michigan and had to miss the Big Ten championship game.

TCU's Trevone Boykin, another dual-threat quarterback, had numbers that rivaled Mariota's in some areas: 3,714 yards and 30 touchdowns in 12 games.

Indiana's Tevin Coleman also surpassed 2,000 yards rushing, and his average per carry was just a tick below Gordon's (7.54 to 7.56).



Craig Blumenshine

SPORTS WEEK

The millions
of hard-core
video gamers
are doing it
without me

I have never purchased a video game. Nor do I plan to.

But I learned one line from the the blockbuster video game Mortal Combat while coaching the Riverton Raiders in 2007.

Every time the Jackson Giants pitchers would get two strikes on our hitters, their outfield, in unison, would scream, "Finish him!"

It was a good line. And it made us feel even better when the Raiders knocked the pre-tournament favorite Giants out of the state tournament in the semifinals in Wheatland that same year.

I did play, and got pretty good at, Coleco hand-held late-1970s video football. You moved a dash up and down the field with three buttons, and the strategy had something to do with making sure you scored on the very last possession. The battery powered, LED game made long bus trips go by faster, it seemed.

My limited video experience also includes Asteroids, Pac Man and Centipedes -- games that today's video players would be bored with in minutes.

So it's hard for me to understand that excelling in video sports, also known as e-sports, can now earn students the same sort of NCAA Division I athletic scholarships that sports studs get.

If you are an athlete at Robert Morris University Illinois in Chicago, you may play soccer or football. You also may play on the video game squad with a scholarship just like the forward on the pitch or the quarterback on the gridiron.

The video game League of Legends next Game Championship is planned to be played in at Sangam Stadium in Seoul, South Korea. The stadium is a former World Cup venue and seats 66,000.

Last year, the championship was played in a sold-out Staples Center in Los Angeles with more glitz and bling than the Super Bowl, complete with Sports Center-like studios and play by play. Online, 32 million people watched the event.

Sixty-seven million people play League of Legends every month. That's 3 million more people than live in the United Kingdom.

I'm not one of them.

I can't decide if this is one of those things that makes me feel old. I know what it was like to compete on a football field. I remember trying to hit with two strikes. I have no idea what you are supposed to do in League of Legends.

TODAY

in Fremont County
Tuesday, December 9, 2014

BIRTHS

VASQUEZ
A child was born to Jessica Vasquez of Shoshoni and Miguel Vasquez of Shoshoni at 5:53 p.m. Oct. 12 at SageWest Health Care. The baby weighed 5 pounds, 15.9 ounces.

VILLA
A son was born to Pejuta "Buffalo" Villa of Riverton and Melvin Villa of Riverton at 2:39 p.m. Sept. 3 at SageWest Health Care at Lander. The baby weighed 9 pounds, 10.7 ounces.

WARREN
A son was born to Megan Oldman of St. Stephen's and Daniel Warren Sr. of St. Stephen's at 8:21 a.m. Sept. 3 at SageWest Health Care at Riverton. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces.

WATSON
A daughter was born to Kristin Watson of Riverton and John Watson of Riverton at 3:27 p.m. Oct. 18 at SageWest Health Care. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

DEATHS

HILYARD
Constance "Connie" Hilyard, 65, of Riverton, died Sunday, Dec. 7, at her home. A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, at Davis Funeral Home. Inurnment will be at a later date in Bozeman, Mont.

KENYON
Anthony "Tony" Kenyon 40, of Riverton, died Friday, Dec. 5, 2014, in Bismarck, N.D., at the St. Alexius Medical Center. A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, at Davis Funeral Home with a reception at 11 a.m. at the Riverton Country Club. Memorials may be made to Tony's Daughters Education Fund in care of Davis Funeral Home, 2203 W. Main St., Riverton, WY 82501. Online condolences may be left at www.thedavisfuneralhome.com.

LAKE
Wilfred Harvey Lake, 73, of Taunton, Mass., died Wednesday, Dec. 3, of pancreatic cancer at Hants Community Hospital in Windsor, Nova Scotia, Canada. A graveside service was Sunday, Dec. 7, at the Newport Landing Cemetery in Newport Landing, Nova Scotia.

SHATTUCK
Murray G. Shattuck Sr., 74, formerly of Dubois, died Friday, Nov. 7, due to complications after heart surgery in Chandler, Ariz. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 10, at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 9 S. First St., Dubois. Per his request, cremation will take place, and his ashes will be spread across his childhood farm in Barnard, S.D.

WEBB
Joseph Webb, 71, of Pavillion, died Saturday, Dec. 6, at his home. A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, at Mountain View Cemetery.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY
Holiday Concert is at 7:30 p.m. at the Robert A. Peck Arts Center Theater at Central Wyoming College, 2660 Peck Ave., Riverton. The handbell choir, chorale, jazz choir and Rendezvous Men's Chorus will perform. Event is free.

DIVORCES

Divorces granted in Fremont County District Court:

WESTMORELAND
Angela Darlene Westmoreland from Charles Lewis Westmoreland III. Join custody of minor children.

WOLBERT
Darrell James Wolbert from Jessica A. Wolbert.

EMERGENCY CALLS

In Riverton Police Department weekend reports through Tuesday morning:

- Damage was reported at about 3:30 a.m. Friday to a Ford Freestyle in the 700 block of Spencer Street. The reporting party noted less than \$1,000 in damage to the right front fender; it was unknown who was responsible for the incident.
- No one was injured in an accident involving a white 2012 Dodge pickup and a carwash at about 2:20 p.m. Friday in the 500 block of North Federal Boulevard. More than \$1,000 in damage was recorded.
- A 4,500-watt Generac generator worth \$1,000 was reported stolen at about 6 p.m. Friday from the 700 block of North Eighth Street West. The reporting party said the generator was last seen two weeks ago.
- A 21-year-old Riverton man was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear at about 6:50 p.m. Friday on Sioux Avenue.
- A 36-year-old Riverton man was arrested for probation revocation and on a warrant for failure to appear at about 7:20 p.m. Friday in the 300 block of South 12th Street East.
- A 22-year-old Riverton man was arrested for driving under the influence, driving under suspension and careless driving with a blood-alcohol content of .21 at about 2:20 a.m. Saturday at the intersection of South Third Street West and Adams Avenue. He reportedly was driving a tan Dodge pickup.
- A woman wearing a hot-pink shirt reportedly threw a rim through the window of a blue sports car at about 3:10 p.m. Saturday in the 700 block of East Lincoln Avenue. Further reports are pending an investigation into the incident.
- No one was injured in an accident involving three vehicles at about 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the 800 block of North Federal Boulevard. Vehicles involved were a white 1998 Ford, a white 2003

Toyota and a black 2000 Ford.

- A 48-year-old Riverton man was issued a citation for possession of a personal amount of marijuana at about 10:15 p.m. Saturday at the Center of Hope detoxification facility, 223 W. Adams Ave.
- A man called police at about 11:30 p.m. Saturday to report that someone in a silver Dodge truck had thrown a rock at his 1977 black Chevy in the 1500 block of East Monroe Avenue. He said he knew who threw the rock; less than \$1,000 in damage was reported.
- Vandalism was reported at about 2:50 a.m. Sunday to a window and a flag depository in the 600 block of East Main Street.
- An employee at a local motel called police at about 7:30 a.m. Sunday to say a customer from Utah had left without paying her \$385 bill. Police have prepared a citation for the woman for theft of services. The motel is in the 600 block of West Main Street.
- The owner of a red Dodge truck was given a parking ticket for parking the wrong way at about 8:30 a.m. Sunday in the 1000 block of Sherry Drive.
- Vandalism was reported at about 10:45 a.m. Sunday in the 100 block of South Federal Boulevard. The reporting party said someone spray painted words on the back of a motel in the area.
- A 38-year-old Riverton man was arrested for probation revocation at about 11:10 a.m. Sunday on the bike path south of All Nations trailer court.
- Three holiday lawn ornaments worth \$80 total were reported stolen at about 12:30 p.m. Sunday from the 800 block of North Forest Drive. The ornaments resembled red, white and green Christmas presents.
- A man contacted police at about 9 a.m. Monday to report that someone had struck his chain link fence in the 1100 block of Forest Drive.
- Vandalism was reported at about 9:30 a.m. Monday in the 1000 block of College View Drive. Officers said the back window of a blue 2007 Chevy pickup appears to have been shot out with a .45-caliber handgun. Investigators were not able to find any projectile that may have been used, but the hole in the window was the size of a .45-caliber bullet.
- Police responded at about 11:30 a.m. Monday to reports that a man was pointing a pistol at a German shepherd in the 600 block of East Washington Avenue. The man said the dog had been eating his cat's food, and he was trying to "teach it a lesson" using a BB gun. The gun was empty by the time police arrived at the scene, and the dog was no longer in the area.
- A minor accident was reported at about 2:15 p.m. Monday at Riverton High School, 2001 W. Sunset Drive.
- A \$50 blow-up Santa decoration with a "big bobble head and a little body" was reported stolen at about 2:20 p.m. Monday from the 1400 block of East Pershing Avenue.
- A 43-year-old Riverton man was arrested for public intoxication with a blood-alcohol content of .33 at about 4:45 p.m. Monday in the 500 block of East Main Street.
- A gold Samsung cell phone worth \$450 was reported stolen at about 9:15 p.m. Monday from the 1600 block of West Main Street. The reporting party said he may have left the phone at a gas station or at the local swimming pool.
- A 34-year-old Fort Washakie man was arrested for public intoxication at about 9:30 p.m. Monday at SageWest Health Care at Riverton, 2100 W. Sunset Drive.
- A 36-year-old St. Stephen's man was arrested for public intoxication with a blood alcohol content of .16 at about 10:50 p.m. Monday at the Center of Hope detoxification facility, 223 W. Adams Ave.

In Fremont County Sheriff's Office weekend reports through Tuesday morning:

- A 16-year-old Riverton boy was arrested on a court order.
- A 23-year-old Riverton man was arrested for driving under the influence at about 10:30 a.m. Friday in the 4000 block of U.S. Highway 287 north of Lander. Initial reports state he was driving "all over the road" and crossing the center line.
- A 27-year-old Ethete man was arrested on Fremont County warrants for contempt of court and failure to appear.
- A 31-year-old Lander man was arrested on a Fremont County warrant for failure to appear.
- A 28-year-old Dubois woman was arrested on a warrant out of Nevada at about 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 1400 block of Fairview Drive in Dubois.

WALL STREET

In late morning trading, the Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 6.64 points or 0.32 percent, to 2,053.67.

The Dow Jones Industrial average was down 90.94 points, or 0.51 percent, to 17,761.54.

The Nasdaq composite index read 4,747.87, up 7.18 points or 0.15 percent.

STOCKS

	Last trade	Percent change
Applied Matl	24.45	0.88
Cummins Engine	148.24	0.42
ConocoPhillips	64.45	-0.88
El Paso CIG	38.16	0.47
First Interstate	28.03	-0.11
Packard Co.	38.24	-0.58
KLA Tencor	69.98	0.60
Schlumberger	83.88	-0.39
Safeway	34.84	-0.03
United Parcel	109.34	-0.79
U.S. Energy	1.26	4.12
Quotes as of 11:33 a.m.		

METALS

	Price	Percent change
Gold	1232.30	2.33
Silver	17.12	4.55
Platinum	1246.00	1.47
Palladium	809.00	1.38
Copper	2.96	0.94
Nickel	7.44	-0.57
Aluminum	0.87	0.24
Zinc	1.01	0.33
Lead	0.91	-0.64
Quotes as of 11:31 a.m.		

Obituaries

Constance 'Connie' Hilyard

Constance "Connie" Hilyard, of Riverton, died Sunday, Dec. 7, 2014, at her home. She was 65 years old.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, at Davis Funeral Home. Inurnment will be at a later date in Bozeman, Mont.

Constance Ann Moran was born Dec. 12, 1948, in Bozeman, Mont., the daughter of Jack Edward and Mary Madonna (Murphy) Moran. She graduated from Riverton High School in 1967.

She lived and raised her family in Riverton until 10 years ago when she retired to Grand Junction, Colo. She returned to Riverton in September.

She worked for more than 30 years as an X-ray and lab technician for Indian Health Services.

She was involved in the Rivercity Singles Group, a group

for those who are 50 and single, in Grand Junction, Colo. Her family said she enjoyed being around people and visiting.

She was baptized into the Catholic faith and attended both St. Margaret's Catholic Church and St. Stephen's Catholic Church.

Her family said she loved being a mother and grandmother, spending time with her grandchildren, crocheting for her grandchildren and reading to them. She also loved chocolate and Coke.

She is survived by her children, Eric (Kasey) Hilyard of Princeville, Hawaii, Paul Hilyard of Riverton



Constance Hilyard

and Ryan Hilyard of Riverton; grandchildren Brody, Tyler, Sydney, Karsten, Mason and Kaleb; siblings Don (Debbie) Moran, Mike (Barbara) France, Jim (Carla) France, Debbie Norway, Diane (Steve) Moran and Jackie Moran-Standridge; stepfather Robert France; and best friends Mary Diamond of Grand Junction, Colo., and Rose Apadaca of Riverton.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Richard Lee France.

Memorials may be made to the Friends of Hospice (Frontier Hospice) in care of Davis Funeral Home, 2203 W. Main St., Riverton, WY 82501.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis Funeral Home of Riverton. Online condolences may be left at www.thedavisfuneralhome.com.

EPA

EPA also said it would back off from the 2011 draft report's conclusions and not seek to put the study through a peer review, a step toward finalizing the findings.

At the time, the parties involved gave little explanation about why or how that decision came about. Documents state agencies released as part of public records requests and in-depth interviews with parties involved shed light on what led to the June 20, 2013, announcement.

Other requests The Ranger made for documents from state agencies and EPA still are pending.

In a recent interview outlining their version of events, state officials said the EPA was the first to suggest that Wyoming take over the study. Documents released recently following records requests verify pieces of the state's story.

Who asked whom?

The governor's office contends it was the EPA that approached Wyoming about taking over the study.

The seed of the state's study was a sketch of a plan for an investigation DEQ staff composed, according to the governor's office energy policy adviser Jeremiah Rieman. It was e-mailed to other state agencies and the EPA on July 11, 2012.

"That's, for me, maybe a turning point for what we're discussing here," he said in an interview.

An e-mail, released following a public records request, fits the bill. DEQ groundwater section manager Kevin Frederick sent the e-mail July 11, 2012, to WOGCC staff, Rieman and an EPA official.

An attached PowerPoint presentation outlines a proposal for a study of groundwater near Pavillion to be led by DEQ that resembles the investigation the state is pursuing.

"When DEQ sent that draft work plan to EPA and (W)OGCC, it is that document that ultimately led us to the framework the public now sees today,"

Rieman said.

This was part of an effort by the state to suggest how it could do an investigation in addition to the EPA's work, Rieman said.

"No doubt in my mind that triggered their interest in what a more robust investigation could look like, and if it triggered a point in time for EPA to approach the state about our leadership I don't know," Rieman said.

The EPA continued steps in its investigation, and the state did not hear more about its proposal, Rieman said, for five or six months. Then, the EPA seemed interested in turning over the study to the state.

"In that January 2013 time frame, the EPA approached the state about what an investigation would look like that they could support," Rieman said. "Our framework became the starting point."

E-mails released following public records requests to state agencies show a back and forth discussion between the EPA and staff of the DEQ, WOGCC and governor's office about a state-led investigation going back from June 2013 at least to January of that year.

Public records requests to the EPA, DEQ and the governor's office for earlier communications still are being processed.

According to Rieman and other recently released documents, Encana joined the conversation in March.

All parties publicly announced the decision June 20, 2013.

Rieman was clear about who on the state's side chose to take on the study.

"The governor and I worked very closely on this," he said. "I worked at the governor's direction, but the governor ultimately gets to make that decision."

E-mails provided after public records requests show a set of DEQ and WOGCC staffers were involved for several months in

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shaping the planning document, but Rieman coordinated the state's side of the discussion.

On the EPA's side, Rieman said, Bob Sussman, then a senior policy council, Sarah Palone, then deputy associate administrator for inter-governmental relationships, and Jim Martin, then the EPA's Region 8 Administrator were the main people involved.

Agency reasoning

The EPA so far has not provided details of the agency's thinking before its decision to pursue turning the investigation to the state, made by January 2013.

EPA spokesman Rich Mylott said Wyoming first brought up the idea of state agencies performing some investigation, but Mylott was unclear whether the state asked to take over the investigation and collect more information for it or asked to add to the EPA's study.

"My understanding is that representatives of the State indicated an interest in conducting additional assessments," Mylott said.

He did not reply to requests for clarification.

As to when the EPA decided to stop its study and let the state take over, Mylott pointed to June 20, 2013, as the date the decision was announced. He provided few details, but his version does not conflict with the timeline of discussions in the first half of 2013 the state and e-mails portray.

"Clearly there were discussions leading up to the announcement," he said. "The announcement itself was made June 20."

Mylott was not sure who at the EPA made the decision to stop its study. He did point out Jim Martin was the EPA Region 8 administrator.

"He was ... regional admin at the office at that time. That's a fact that's out there," Mylott said.

He acknowledged other agency staffers were involved, but he did not know who.

Autopsy

He thinks Anderson's body had been outside for "a while," but McAuslan couldn't say how long. Murphy said the body was not easily visible to passersby.

"He was kind of hard to see — you really had to walk almost right up on him to see him," Murphy said. "It doesn't surprise me no one saw him for a while."

Tax

municipal government disperses the funds to support events that draw out-of-county visitors.

In Riverton, the money has supported the Riverton Rendezvous, 1838 Rendezvous, Wild West Winter Carnival, Ron Thon wrestling tournament, Bill Strannigan basketball tournament and other athletic events.

"We try to be as diverse as we can, but we are limited a little bit by state statute. We can't really

spend for bricks and mortar ... the state statute says it's to help promote visitors to the region," said Jim Davis, Riverton Chamber of Commerce director and Wind River Visitors Council treasurer.

The communities generally receive a portion of the funds for events proportional to how much lodging tax it generates. Riverton received about 53 percent in the current year, Lander 26 percent and Dubois 20 percent. Per an

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agreement, Hudson and Shoshoni receive a fixed stipend of \$6,000.

Riverton has the most hotel rooms and visitors, Davis explained, so it received the most money.

A committee would decide what events to support for the coming year at a February meeting. Groups interested in requesting funds can call the Riverton chamber at 856-4801 and ask for an application form.

Supply and demand

Although the BLM makes wild horses available for

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adoption, the supply greatly exceeds the demand and thousands of horses are kept in federal holding facilities.

The Friends of Animals group held protests at the BLM's Rock Springs office this fall to protest the roundups.



Abigail Van Buren

Aging caregiver must find respite time for herself

DEAR ABBY: How can I convince my aging, sick sister-in-law that her feeble husband's care is too much for her at this point? She can barely care for herself, yet she must help him eat, get out of chairs — everything short of chew his food for him. I have tried telling her she deserves respite care of some kind, to no avail.

Have you any ideas how I can convince her she is literally killing herself and deserves some assistance? Their three daughters are no help at all to them. They turn a blind eye from their parents' situation. — RELATIVE WHO CARES IN OHIO

DEAR RELATIVE: I can think of a few things you might do to help. The first would be to talk to the daughters and explain your concerns for their mother's health — because if she doesn't get some respite care, SHE could die before their father does. Be sure to point out that if that happens, their father's care would become THEIR responsibility. When they realize the effect it would have on their own lives, it might motivate them to do something.

The second would be to do some research and see what options are available for part-time caregivers or senior day care centers where her husband would be safe and looked after while your sister-in-law has a few precious hours to herself. The man's doctor could guide you.

Then have a frank talk with her and explain that for her to be as effective a caregiver as she obviously wants to be, she's going to have to take better care of herself because the track she's on right now could cost her her own health or even her life, and that's no exaggeration.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 29-year-old single man who is hard of hearing. I have a steady job and plans for a good future, but I'm having trouble in the dating world.

I would love to have a special someone in my life, but I'm shy. I have a hard time talking with the girls who live in my area. I can hear people pretty well unless they mumble or talk quietly, or face away from me when they speak.

I have asked people to repeat what they say (I try not to do it often) if I missed something. They get frustrated and so do I, and then they say, "Never mind!"

I try so hard to hear people. But it seems the harder I try, the less it seems worth it to find a relationship. Any tips on dealing with impatient and non-understanding people? — FRUSTRATED IN WISCONSIN

DEAR FRUSTRATED: As people age, many of them encounter the problem you are trying to cope with now at your young age. Hearing loss is difficult because it is often subtle and can be extremely isolating for the person who has it.

My first tip would be to avoid noisy places for meeting women, if you can. My second would be to be upfront about your hearing loss right off the bat. If a woman finds you attractive, she will find ways to accommodate the problem. And if she doesn't, then she wasn't the right candidate for a relationship in the first place.

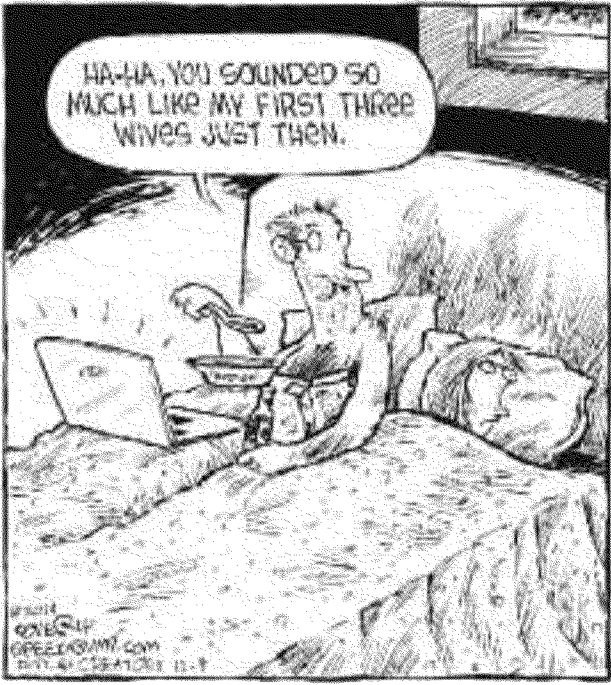
Answer to Friday's puzzle



Contact Stan Newman at STANXWORDS@AOL.COM

SPEED BUMP

by Dave Coverly



Today in HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 9, the 343rd day of 2014. There are 22 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Dec. 9, 1854, Alfred, Lord Tennyson's famous poem, "The Charge of the Light Brigade," was published in England.

On this date:
In 1608, English poet John Milton was born in London.

In 1911, an explosion inside the Cross Mountain coal mine near Briceville, Tennessee, killed 84 workers. (Five were rescued.)

In 1940, British troops opened their first major offensive in North Africa during World War II.

In 1942, the Aram Khachaturian ballet "Gayane," featuring the surging "Sabre Dance," was first performed by Russia's Kirov Ballet.

In 1958, the anti-communist John Birch Society was formed in Indianapolis.

In 1962, the Petrified Forest in Arizona was designated a national park.

In 1965, "A Charlie Brown Christmas," the first animated special featuring characters from the "Peanuts" comic strip by Charles M. Schulz, was first broadcast by CBS-TV.

In 1971, Nobel Peace laureate Ralph Bunche died in New York.

In 1982, special Watergate prosecutor Leon Jaworski died at his Wimberley, Texas, ranch age 77.

In 1984, the five-day-old hijacking of a Kuwaiti jetliner that claimed the lives of two Americans ended as Iranian security men seized control of the plane, which was parked at Tehran airport.

In 1987, the first Palestinian intifadah, or uprising, began as riots broke out in Gaza and spread to the West Bank, triggering a strong Israeli response.

In 1992, Britain's Prince Charles and Princess Diana announced their separation. (The couple's divorce became final Aug. 28, 1996.)

Ten years ago: President George W. Bush ruled out raising taxes to finance a

Social Security overhaul. President Bush day of 2014. There are 22 days left in the announced he was keeping the heads of the Transportation, Interior, Housing and Labor departments. Canada's Supreme Court ruled that gay marriage was constitutional.

Five years ago: Five young American Muslims were arrested in Pakistan over possible links to terrorism. Iran claimed that a newly-built U.N. station to detect nuclear explosions was built near its border to give the West a post to spy on the country. Former Costa Rican President Rodrigo Carazo Odio, 82, died in San Juan. Actor Gene Barry, 90, died in Woodland Hills, California.

One year ago: North Korea announced it had sacked leader Kim Jong Un's uncle, Jang Song Thaek, long considered the country's No. 2 power, for leading a "dissolute and depraved life" (Jang was reportedly executed three days later). Scientists revealed that NASA's Curiosity rover had uncovered signs of an ancient freshwater lake on Mars. Retired managers Joe Torre, Tony La Russa and Bobby Cox were unanimously elected to the baseball Hall of Fame by the expansion era committee. Actress Eleanor Parker, 91, who played a scheming baroness in "The Sound of Music," died in Palm Springs, California.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Kirk Douglas is 98. Actor Dick Van Patten is 86. Actor-writer Buck Henry is 84. Actress Dame Judi Dench is 80. Actor Beau Bridges is 73. Jazz singer-musician Dan Hicks is 73. Football Hall-of-Famer Dick Butkus is 72. Actor Michael Nouri is 69. Former Sen. Thomas Daschle, D-S.D., is 67. World Golf Hall of Famer Tom Kite is 65. Singer Joan Armatrading is 64. Actor Michael Dorn is 62. Actor John Malkovich is 61. Country singer Sylvia is 58. Singer Donny Osmond is 57. Rock musician Nick Seymour (Crowded House) is 56. Comedian Mario Cantone is 55. Actor David Anthony Higgins is 53. Actor Joe Lando is 53. Actress Felicity Huffman is 52. Crown Princess Masako of Japan is 51.

Newsday Crossword

Crossword puzzle grid with clues and answers.

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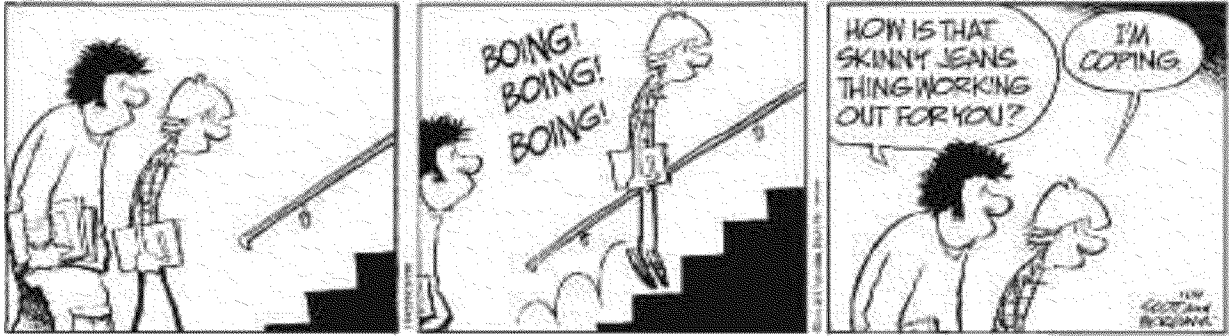
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- 6 Very much
- 10 Small falsehoods
- 14 Counting everything
- 15 "Uh-uh"
- 16 Run (rage)
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- 20 Naval group based at Pearl Harbor
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- 34 Ultimate objective
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- 44 High-tech prefix for space
- 45 Have a fine meal
- 46 Sheep sounds
- 47 Helper, for short
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- 58 New Jersey casino site
- 62 Lowly worker

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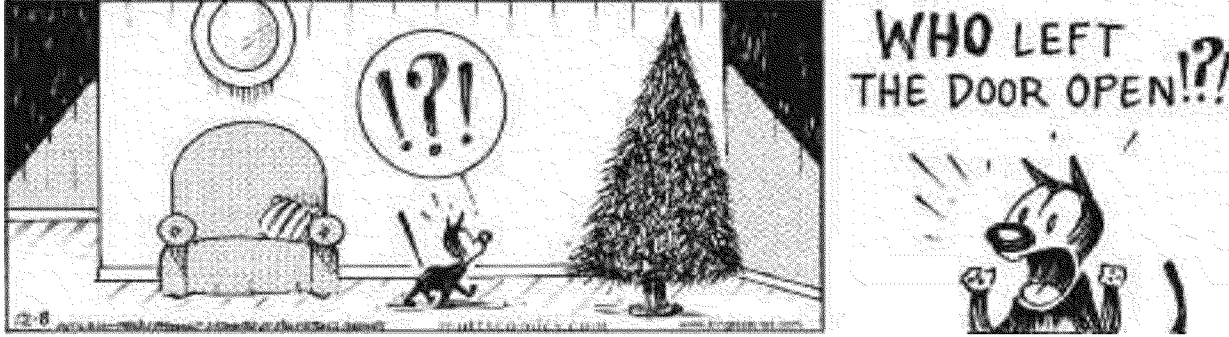
- 1 Joke around
- 2 Washington's bill
- 3 Hip-hop music
- 4 Wad on the run
- 5 Church platforms
- 6 Prefix for freeze
- 7 Package of bread
- 8 Of vision
- 9 Pakoe holder
- 10 Season starting in September
- 11 Pretend to be
- 12 Four on a par three
- 13 Play ice hockey
- 21 Congressional cable channel
- 22 Go get, to a dog
- 23 Illusionist's act
- 24 Literary twist
- 25 Figurative top
- 30 Matured
- 31 Well-constructed
- 33 Mob-Dick captain
- 35 Falsehoods
- 37 Bit of DNA
- 39 Elevator alternative
- 40 Double-curve letters
- 42 Fire-starting crime
- 43 Coke competitor
- 48 Adds up to
- 50 Tell a secret
- 52 Romantic Italian isle
- 53 Had a home-cooked meal
- 55 New staffer (improvise)
- 57 Play it
- 59 Colonizing insects
- 60 Minimal money
- 61 Pets that purr
- 65 Hoopsters' grr
- 66 Oceanic distress signal
- 67 Before, in poetry



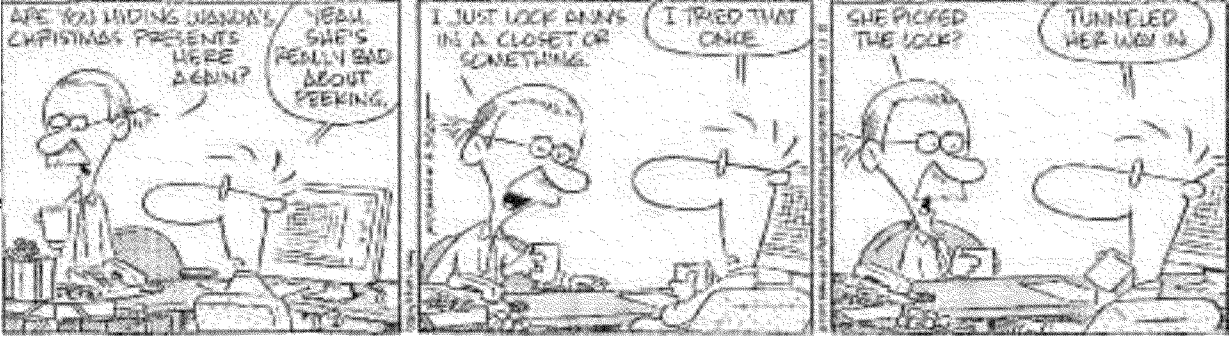
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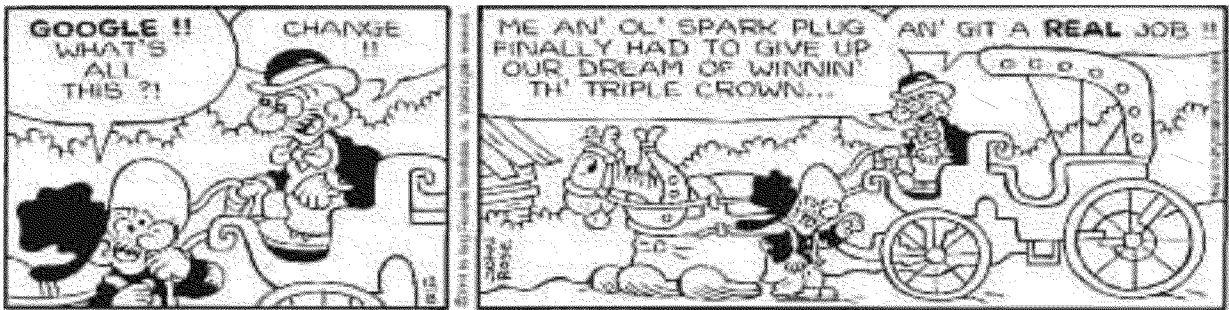
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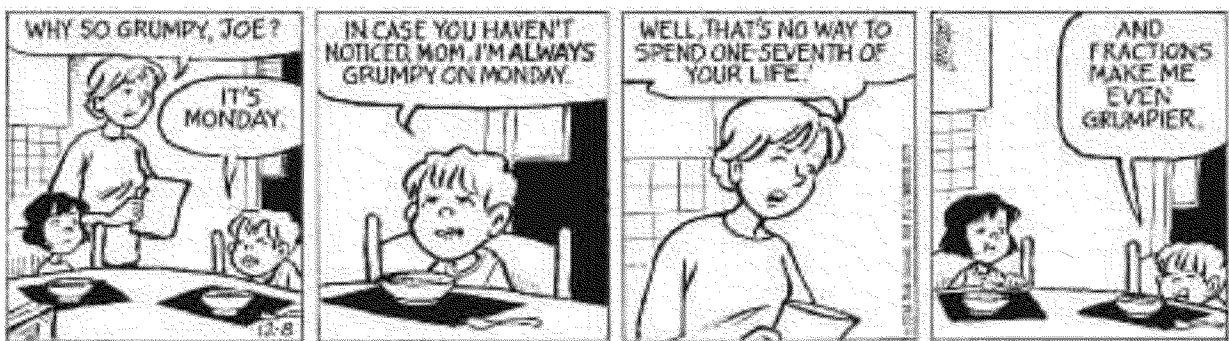
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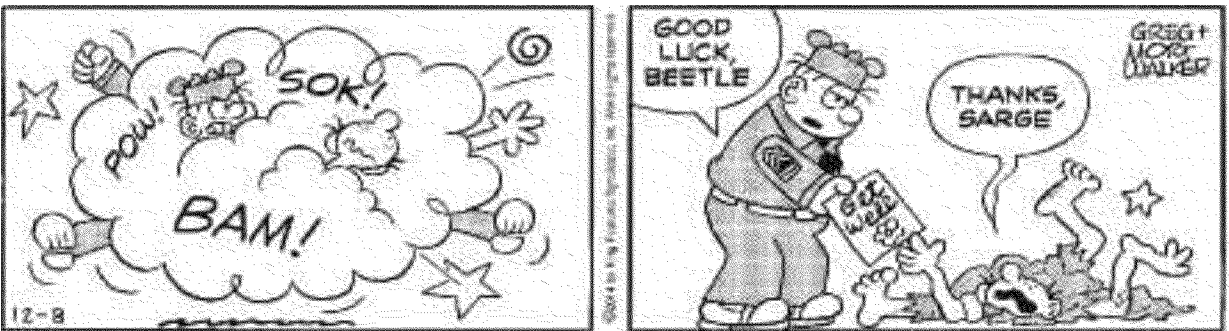
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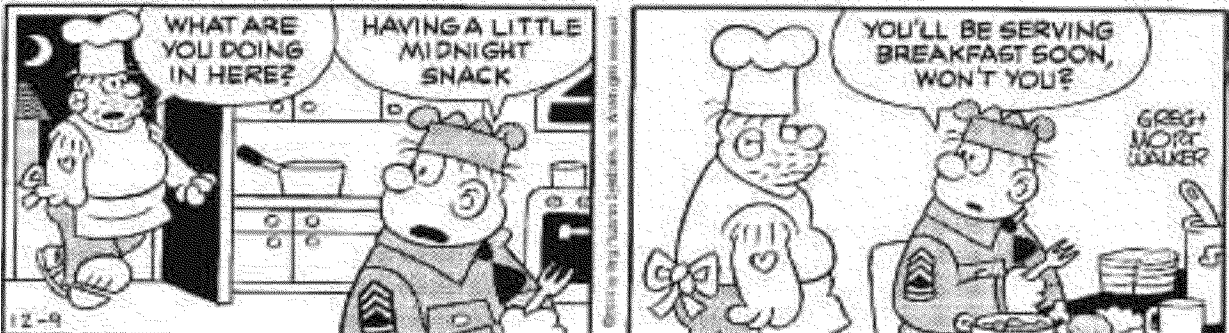
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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles
one letter to each square,
to form four ordinary words.

AVEWE

LATVE

TURBET

FARDOF

Now arrange the circled le
to form the surprise answer,
suggested by the above cartoon.

Print your
answer here: "OOOO" OOOOO

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: GIVEN BUNCH INJURY ADJUST

Answer: They installed solar panels on their house
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knure



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STRANGE BREW

By John Deering



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Riverton - Leader

- 425 Fairway Drive - \$565,000.00 -



New Price

- 2.25 acres, Irrigated
- 30x40 Shop
- 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths
- 2 car attached garage

- 911 N 16th Street E - \$234,900.00 -



New Listing

- Custom kitchen
- Spacious back deck
- Master suite
- Walk-out basement

- 981 Homestead Ave - \$268,000.00 -



New Price

- One level living
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- 3.91 +- acres
- City water taps available
- Pasture, Horses allowed
- Development potential
- Irrigated

- 521 N 3rd Street E - \$179,900.00 -



- Many updates
- Open floor plan
- 2 car detached garage
- Large back yard
- New cabinets

- N Federal Blvd lots - Riverton -



- Highway frontage
- Adjacent lots
- City water and sewer
easements
- 4.4 acres

- 904 Sherry Drive - \$289,900.00 -



- 3 bedroom, 2 bath home
- Plus guest house
- One level home
- Garage
- Well maintained

- 24 Prairie Breeze Rd - \$18,900.00 -



- 1.93 +- acres, Lot 24
- Level
- Mountain view
- Established subdivision
- Call for details

- 309 Elk Drive - \$189,000.00 -



- New, New, New
- 4 bedrooms, 1.75 baths
- One level home
- Master bedroom
- Central air

- Cessna Drive - \$25,000.00 -



- Industrial lot
- 0.82 acres
- Level topography
- 178x200
- City amenities

- 1110 Mary Anne Drive - \$169,900.00 -



- 4 bedrooms, 1.75 baths
- 2 car detached garage
- 1 car attached garage
- Covered patio
- Lots of updates

- Prairie Breeze Rd - Riverton -



- 2 lots available combined
or sold separately
- 1.89 +- acres each
- Electric to lot
- Mountain View

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5-95 Announcements

20 Garage Sales

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42" wooden drop leaf table w/ two matching
chairs. Oak curio cabinets & misc. furni-
ture. Home decor, kitchen items. New &
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Sat., 10am-3pm

25 Lost & Found

FOUND: CHILD'S jacket left at Mead-
owlark Books on Fri., Nov. 28th. Call 307-
856-7323 to identify & claim.

FOUND: WOMEN'S ring in Shoshoni on
Nov. 29th. Please call (307) 247-9725
to describe & claim.

LOST KEYS w/brass UPS emblem. Red
carabiner w/master keys. No car keys.
Lost week of Nov 16th. Please call 307-
330-5687.

LOST: LADIES prescription glasses,
w/brown frames, on Main Street in front of
First Interstate Bank in Riverton on Wed.,
Dec. 3rd. Please call 307-856-6680.

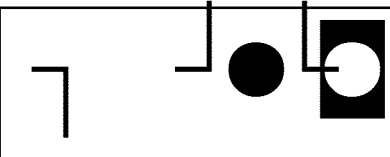
LOST: WOMEN'S wire rimmed prescrip-
tion glasses. Last seen in a black hard-
shell case. Please call (307) 856-4200.

LOST: CHEVY key w/keyless entry re-
mote, Ace & Smith's tags. Possibly lost at
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Concepts Sudoku

By Doug Groat

	3						1	
2		5				7		4
			4		1			
		1		5			9	
			1	3	7			
		8			9		2	
			2		8			
4		7					8	9
	6							3

Difficulty Level ★★★

Answer to previous puzzle

7	1	9	3	8	2	4	5	6
4	2	3	6	7	5	8	1	9
5	6	8	9	1	4	7	3	2
9	8	2	5	3	7	1	6	4
6	3	7	1	4	9	5	2	8
1	5	4	2	6	8	3	9	7
8	9	1	4	5	6	2	7	3
2	7	5	8	9	3	6	4	1
3	4	6	7	2	1	9	8	5

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375-410 Employment

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HAIR SALON owner looking for operator to assume perm clientele. Must like and be good at doing perms. 307-851-9450, leave message.

OFFICE MANAGER at local psychologist private practice. Part-time. Competitive pay. Strong professional interaction skills required. Computer and billing skills helpful, *but can be trained*. Please send resume to: marc@mcclpsych.com or call 307-463-0476.

TEMPORARY FARM Labor: Steve Pust Farms, Inc., Savage, MT, has 3 positions for farmworker, grain, & oilseed crops; 1 mo. experience required for job duties listed; must able to obtain driver's license within 30 days; must be able to lift 75 pounds; once hired, workers may be required to take random drug tests at no cost to worker; testing positive or failure to comply may result in immediate termination from employment; tools, equipment, housing and daily trans provided for employees who can't return home daily; trans & subsistence expenses reimb.; \$10.69/hr, may work nights and weekends; three-fourths work period guaranteed from 2/1/15 - 12/1/15. Apply at nearest WY Workforce Office with Job Order 10093484 or call 307-234-4591.

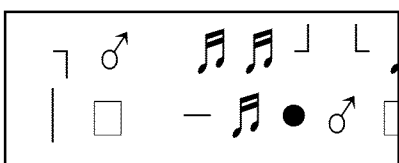
THIS NEWSPAPER recommends that you investigate every phase of investment opportunities. We suggest you consult your own attorney, and ask for a free pamphlet or for free further information from the company making the offer, before investing any money. You may contact the Attorney General's Office, 123 Capitol Bldg., Cheyenne, WY 82009.

VALLEY WATER SERVICE, Inc. is hiring CDL drivers and owner/operators immediately. Please contact Roger at 307-705-1420. Work is based out of Farson, Wyoming.

Service Tech Needed

at Big Horn Water in Riverton to service water treatment equipment. Must have valid drivers license & able to pass drug test. Pay DOE, medical allowance.

Apply at
Wyoming Workforce Center
422 E. Fremont, Riverton



Fremont County School District #6
Pavillion, Wyoming

Position Open: **1 Full Time Special Education Para**

NEED IMMEDIATELY

Close Date: (Open Until Filled)

Contact Central Office for application packet at (307) 856-7970, Option 1
or visit <http://www.fre6.k12.wy.us/jobs.html>

Fremont County School District #6 is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Accounts Payable & Budget Specialist
Part-time

St. Stephens Indian Mission Church is seeking an organized individual who is familiar with payables and budget. Please bring resume to St. Stephens Mission or mail to PO Box 250, St. Stephens, WY 82524.

INTERMOUNTAIN ELECTRIC
HSE COORDINATOR

Intermountain Electric (IME) is seeking a Health/Safety/Environmental (HSE) Coordinator. Good driving record, self-motivated with the ability to motivate others a must. This is a permanent full-time position. IME offers competitive wages, excellent retirement, paid vacation and holidays, and 401k. Applicants can apply at either of these branches:

110 Commerce Dr. Evanston, WY 82930
85 Purple Sage Rd. Rock Springs, WY 82901
701 S. Federal Blvd. Riverton, WY 82501

Qualifications:

- Authorized OSHA and MSHA trainer
- Certified first aid/CPR instructor



Hiring Now: Advertising & Marketing Consultant

Sell advertising and provide marketing consultation to local area businesses. Do you have strong communication and organizational skills? Basic computer skills are needed to communicate with customers and staff. The employer has a strong portfolio of client products and services reaching 81% of area adults. Advertising, sales or business experience is a plus but employer will provide training. Transportation and driver's license required. Need to be reliable, punctual person with good work ethic and have the ability and interest in helping local companies grow their business. This can be a fun and exciting job that provides the potential to be part of growing area business & our economy. Wage includes base salary, commission on sales and bonuses. Higher wages are possible depending on your work and sales.

Lander-based Ranger & Lander Journal

Salary Range: \$30,000 - \$40,000 per year • Hours: 40 per week
Minimum education level: High School Diploma
Benefits: 401K, Holidays, Other, Vacation, Vision

Lander  Journal

Ranger Carriers needed for RENDEZVOUS SCHOOL ARE WEST PARK & WEST FREMONT

Please apply now at 421 E Main Riverton

390 Child Care

THE ABSAROKA HEAD Start Lander Center has immediate openings to serve 3 and 4 year olds at our preschool. Please call 332-5559 for more information on how to get your child enrolled.

405 Business Opportunities

OVER 380,550 WYOMING PEOPLE will read your classified ad if you place it in WYCAN. Sell, buy, announce. \$135 for 25 words. Contact The Ranger for details, (307) 856-7653.

415-470 Merchandise

420 Miscellaneous

ALL REMAINING New Inventory at The Country Cottage is now 75% off. The store is closing in 2015.
The Country Cottage
106 N. 3rd, Riverton
(same building as Allstate Insurance)
Mon-Fri, 1-5pm
Sat., 10am-3pm

CRAFTSMAN RIDING Mower, \$650 (all prices obo). King bed, \$250. Queen bed, \$200. Love-seat, \$150. Armoire, \$150. Kitchen table & chairs, \$150. More furniture. 307-840-0083.

TRUE BIKE rack for vehicle. Used once. Will fit most vehicles. \$65. 307-349-8599.

457 Furniture/Carpet

LARGE CHINA hutch, excellent shape, \$350. 307-851-9711.

468 Want to Buy/Trade

ATTENTION HUNTERS: I would like to buy an elk heart. Will pay up to \$20, but price negotiable. 307-240-7756.

LOOKING FOR a nice TV stand for a 32" TV. Please call 307-857-2745, leave message.

470 Good Things to Eat

MUSCOVY DUCKS, Geese and a few Guinea. (307) 856-4257, 850-8151.

475-540 Recreation

490 Guns & Ammunition

WINCHESTER 9422 22lr, unfired, in mint condition. Marlin 39M 22lr, excellent condition. Call 307-463-0584 after 5pm.

545-620 Transportation

570 Vans

2003 DODGE Caravan, good tires, clean interior, runs well. \$2000 cash. **RESULTS!**



575 All Terrain/Dune Buggies

2006 KAWASAKI MULE 3010. New Roof & Windshield. \$6,000 obo. 307-840-0100

SPRING Shower of Values
Find it in The Ranger Classified
856-SOLD (7653)

Public Notices

MIDVALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
NOTICE OF CHANGE IN REGULAR BOARD MEETING TIME

The Board of Commissioners of Midvale Irrigation District has changed the date of their regular meeting. It will not be on the second Thursday of the month, but will be held on **Monday, December 15, 2014 at 1:00 PM**. The board will conduct their regular board meeting at the District office located at 305 3rd Street, Pavillion, Wyoming, at that time.

PUB: The Ranger
December 9, 2014

LEGAL NOTICE

Gayle Strickland: Last known address of 599 Freedom Dr., Riverton, WY 82501. Amount: \$256.50

Chorissa Dickinson: Last known address of P.O. Box 106, Riverton, WY 82501. Amount: \$256.50

Take notice that the contents of your storage unit will be sold to satisfy past due rent to A Better Storage. All contents will be sold at a private sale to attempt to cover past due rent. The sale will be December 15, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at 715 E. Roosevelt Ave., Riverton, WY 82501.

PUB: The Ranger
December 4, and 9, 2014

CHEYENNE, WYOMING
NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND
FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR HIGHWAY WORK


Notice is hereby given that the State Transportation Commission of Wyoming has accepted as completed according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming, acting through said Commission, and McMurry Ready-Mix Co. the contractor on Highway Project Number PEG1351 in Fremont county consisting of crushing & stockpiling of crushed surfacing material & miscellaneous work. Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on January 19, 2015.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is December 9, 2014.

STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF WYOMING
By: Kimberly Lamb
Project Resource Coordinator
Budget Program

PUB: The Ranger
December 9, 16, and 23, 2014


Reading



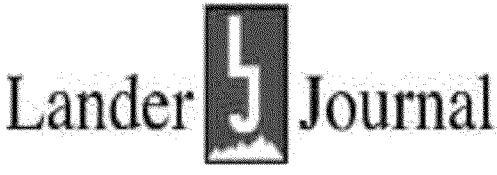
What better way is there than the new to teach everyday reading to your child

Make every day a little better reading the news together,

IT'S A HABIT YOU WON'T MIND THEM STARING



Heavenly Cakes & Desserts



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